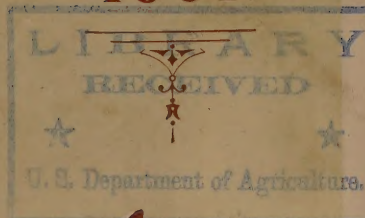


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Melbourne 3-12/1900

This is to certify that on
the 3^d and 5th of February
1900, I carefully examined
the Nursery stock of Mr.
C. A. Nobelsius of
Emerald, and find the
stock to be singularly free
from disease, and in the
best possible condition.

C. French.
Govt. Entomologist
& Chief Inspector under
Vegetation Diseases Act.

GENERAL REMARKS.

I HAVE much pleasure in presenting you with my NINTH CATALOGUE OF TREES, and avail myself of the opportunity to thank my Customers for the support accorded me during the last ten seasons, and shall do my best to merit a continuance of their favours and recommendation.

I continue to import New Varieties in Fruits, such as should be of superior merit, from the most reliable sources, and every possible care is taken to have same correct; but mistakes will sometimes happen, and, although I take no responsibility *re* new varieties, I wish that any of my Customers would inform me of any error in this respect. If possible such Trees will be replaced, as I do not wish my Customers to be the losers. Many varieties I am unable to fruit on account of the climate here being rather cold, and I have to depend on others in a more suitable climate to try them. I would take it as a great favour if any of my Customers would furnish me with a report on any new variety that they may have fruited, as this would greatly help me in recommending or discarding same, as the case may be.

My Nurseries are situated in Gembrook, one mile and a half from Emerald Railway Station, on the Fern Tree Gully and Gembrook line. The Nurseries are now over seventy acres in extent, and contain nearly one million trees in various stages. The soil is particularly suitable for producing nice fibrous rooted trees, thus ensuring a safer removal to other places.

My stock of saleable trees this season is considerably over four hundred thousand, all being perfectly clean, healthy, free from all insect pests, and in the best possible condition. A certificate of examination by the Chief Inspector, Mr. Chas. French, Government Entomologist, to that effect can always be seen at my Nurseries. The Nurseries are regularly examined each season previous to sending out trees, and a Clean Certificate can be had with each consignment if required.

All trees are most carefully packed for transmission to any part of the world, so as to ensure their arrival in good order.

Orders will be booked at any time from now, and executed in the end of May or beginning of June. Every order is immediately executed on receipt of same, or acknowledged. If no reply be received within a few days, it may be assumed that the letter has miscarried.

The Prices quoted are for cash within one month of receipt of invoice.

Unknown Correspondents are kindly requested to remit with their orders, or to name a Melbourne reference.

Payments may be made by crossed cheque, bank draft, or post office order, the latter payable at Melbourne. Small amounts may be forwarded in postal notes or in stamps.

C. A. NOBELIUS.

GEMBROOK NURSERIES,

EMERALD, 1ST MARCH, 1901.

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ALMONDS.

Price—12/- per Doz.; £3/15/- per 100.

Brandes Jordan—A well-known variety of strong growth, very tender shell.

Early Jordan—An early variety of the “Paper Shell.”

Hawthorn Seedling—Medium size, good bearer, strong grower.

I.X.L.—A very good variety from California, large nuts, perfect shell.

Nonpareil—A heavy and regular bearer, with very thin shell.

Paper Shell—Very good, easily broken between the fingers.

Sultana—Medium size, fruit well flavoured, shell tender.

NEW ALMONDS.

Price—18/- per Doz.; £5 per 100.

Burbank's Seedling—A new variety, direct from Luther Burbank; tree extremely hardy and a great bearer; recommended as one of the best for this climate, and flowers much later than other sorts.

Golden State—Originated in California; described as a great and regular bearer; large, with a full, smooth-skinned kernel and a soft shell.

Lewelling—Also a Californian seedling; tree a thrifty grower and enormous bearer; fine soft shell.

APPLES (GENERAL COLLECTION).

All on Blight-proof Stocks, and perfectly Clean.

Price—12/- per dozen; £3/15/- per 100.

Adams' Pearmain—First-class dessert, one of the best; late.

Allsopp's Beauty—A late apple of great beauty; deep crimson colour, covered with bluish bloom; it is a good dessert and cooking variety; strong grower and blight-proof; with me a shy bearer.

APPLES (CONTINUED).

- Alfriston**—A large cooking apple and splendid keeper; late.
- American Golden Russet**—Medium size, rich flavour; medium.
- Annie Elizabeth**—An excellent culinary apple for winter use; late.
- Armored**—A dessert apple of highest quality; late.
- Atalanta**—A valuable mid-season variety, medium to large, yellow-red streaks on one side; culinary and dessert.
- Baldwin**—Very hardy, late bearer, first-class dessert; late.
- Baumann's Red Winter Reinette**—Exceedingly handsome; late.
- Beatrice**.
- Ben Davis**—Excellent market variety, dessert; late.
- Blenheim Orange**—A large culinary and dessert apple; late.
- Blondin**—Handsome and a good keeper; late.
- Boston Russet**—One of the best of the russet class, fine flavour; late.
- Bowmont Beauty**—Medium size, cooking and dessert, good grower, heavy bearer; medium to late.
- Brownlee's Russet**—An excellent late apple, suitable either for cooking or dessert.
- Buncombe**—A beautiful dessert apple of good quality; late.
- Calville Blanche d'Hiver**—A valuable cooking and dessert apple; very late.
- Carolina Red June**—Fruit below medium size, highly coloured, dessert; early.
- Cellini**—Dessert and cooking, a good bearer; medium.
- Chandler**—A large dessert and cooking apple; late.
- Claygate Pearmain**—Greenish yellow, nearly covered with brownish red, rich aromatic, a good bearer; late.
- Cleopatra**—A splendid apple in some districts; late.
- Clifden**.
- Cooper's Market**—A good keeping dessert apple, very productive; late.
- Cornish Aromatic**—Medium size, rich red with russet yellow dots, with a rich aromatic flavour, dessert; late.
- Cornish Gilliflower**—Large, remarkable for its rich and aromatic flavour, dessert; late.
- Cox's Orange Pippin**—Grand dessert, flavour excellent; late.
- Crow's Egg**—Constant bearer, good colour; late.
- Devonshire Quarrenden**—A highly-coloured apple; early.
- Dougherty**—Medium size, almost covered with bright red, a very fine dessert apple, good bearer; late.
- Dr. Hogg**—A large culinary apple, strong grower and early bearer; late.
- Duchess of Oldenburgh**—Very handsome, good market variety; early.
- Duke of Clarence**.
- Dumelow's Seedling**—A first-rate culinary apple, much used for jelly making; late.
- Early Margaret**—The earliest of all, but will not keep.

APPLES (CONTINUED).

- Emperor Alexander**—An excellent large culinary apple, and a good market variety; early.
- Esopus Spitzenberg**—A most beautiful apple, richly flavoured; late.
- Fearn's Pippin**—A splendid apple for all purposes; late.
- Five Crown Pippin**—(See "London Pippin").
- Forth's Gippslander**—A handsome large variety, and can be used either for cooking or dessert.
- Foxwhelp**—One of the best cider apples; medium.
- Frampton**—A very pretty apple, dessert; late, and keeps well.
- French Crab**—A popular market sort, keeps long; late.
- Garibaldi (Adelaide)**—Medium size, skin yellow on shaded side, bright crimson on side next the sun; flesh pale yellowish-white; juicy, sweet, and richly flavoured; in season from May to September.
- Gloria Mundi (Allenbank Seedling)**—A very large cooking apple; medium.
- Golden Ball**—A fine, large, golden-coloured apple; medium.
- Golden Harvey**—Small size, a very richly flavoured dessert apple; late.
- Golden Reinette**—This is the best of all the export apples, being very pretty, keeps well, of first-class flavour, and a heavy bearer; being subject to the woolly aphid, the tree requires to be kept clean; medium.
- Golden Russet**—An excellent dessert apple; late.
- Golden Spire**—This is one of the finest early cooking apples, in use from middle of December to March; an early and regular bearer.
- Gooseberry**—One of the latest cooking varieties; late.
- Gott's Seedling**—A seedling from "Dumelow's Seedling," heavy bearer: late.
- Granny Smith**—Large and juicy, of a greenish yellow colour; well known and much esteemed in New South Wales; late.
- Gravenstein**—A splendid apple, good flavour and colour; early.
- Hambling's Seedling**—Large, pale, flushed with rose. The flavour is very good, being suitable for dessert, cooking, or making jelly. Raised by Major W. J. Hambling, of Dunstable, England, and is believed to be a seedling from "Peasgood's Nonsuch."
- Hall Door**—A highly coloured apple of medium size and good flavour, well known in Tasmania; late.
- Herefordshire Beefing**—Small, but very heavy for its size, a fine culinary apple; late.
- Hoary Morning**—Handsome and good; early.
- Hoover**—A beautifully coloured apple, keeps well; late.
- Irish Peach**—Good bearer and does not blight; early.
- John Toon**—A nice dessert apple; medium.
- Jonathan**—A most beautiful fruit for all purposes; medium.
- Jupp's Surprise**—A very early apple; keeps and carries well.
- Kentish Fillbasket**—An excellent culinary variety; medium.

APPLES (CONTINUED).

Kentucky Redstreak—A good apple, but liable to spot; late.

Keswick Codlin—A valuable early culinary apple.

King of the Pippins—Medium size, yellow, sometimes red on sunny side, a favourite apple in some districts, dessert; late.

King of Tompkins County—A large and handsome apple, dessert and cooking; late.

Kirk's Admirable—A good cooking apple; medium.

Lady Carrington—Beautiful bright red, very prolific, and said to be blight-proof; early.

Lady Daly.

Lady Henniker—Fine, large, and regular bearer, cooking and dessert; medium.

Lane's Prince Albert—Richly flavoured, great bearer; late.

Lang's Best—Fruit medium size, covered all over with dark crimson; flesh white, juicy, and briskly flavoured; a very handsome apple, and keeps well; in use from April to October.

Late Aromatic—Large, fine flavour, keeps well; late.

Lawrence—A fine apple; similar in growth and fruit, excepting colour, to Reinnette du Canada; late.

Linwood's Everlasting.

London Pippin—One of the very best apples for all purposes; late.

Lord Nelson—A large culinary apple; medium.

Lord Suffield—A splendid cooking apple, heavy bearer; early.

Lord Wolseley—Heavy bearer, good cooking and dessert; late.

Lucombe's Seedling—Large cooking apple; medium.

Magg's Seedling—A showy apple, blight-proof; late.

Maiden's Blush—A beautiful culinary apple; medium.

Mann—Large, deep yellow, good bearer, and keeps well; late.

McIndoe's Russet—The fruit is large and rather flattened, with prominent ribs, of a brown russet colour, and of excellent flavour. The tree is of moderate growth, and an excellent bearer.

Melon's Seedling—Medium size, good colour, flavour excellent; late.

Morgan's Seedling—A very heavy bearer, small fruit, keeps well, good flavour; late.

Mother—A beautiful and fine-flavoured dessert apple; late.

Mr. Gladstone—Handsome and good, but will not keep; early.

Munroe's Favourite—One of the best for all purposes; late.

Newman's Seedling—A very large apple, beautifully striped, and good bearer; late.

Newton Wonder—Large, well-coloured, perfect form, splendid cooking quality; tree vigorous and very productive; one of the best late apples.

Nickajack—Large and handsome, cooking or dessert; late.

Northern Spy—A splendid dessert apple; late.

APPLES (CONTINUED).

- Peasgood's Nonsuch**—A magnificent apple of enormous size; medium.
- Perfection (Shepherd's)**—A very handsome dessert variety; late.
- Pomme de Neige**—Flesh white, a fine market apple; medium.
- Prince Alfred**—A very large apple of recent introduction, first-class either as a dessert or cooking, will keep for eight months; medium.
- Prince Bismarck**—A splendid, large, and well-coloured apple, one of the best market sorts; medium.
- Prince of the Pippins**—A beautiful dessert apple, and very heavy bearer; medium.
- Red Astrachan**—A very early, highly-coloured, soft-fleshed apple; early.
- Red Bietigheimer**—A large, handsome, early autumn apple.
- Rose Hill.**
- Reinette du Canada**—A large popular apple, combining many good qualities; late.
- Ribston Pippin**—A well-known dessert variety; medium.
- Rokewood (Bullock's Seedling)**—A highly-coloured colonial-raised apple, and probably the best keeping variety of all; late.
- Rome Beauty**—A beautiful late apple and heavy bearer, one of the best.
- Rymer**—Skin red, an old favourite, long keeper; late.
- Rymer (Cole's)**—A highly-coloured dessert apple of good quality and heavy bearer; late.
- Sam. Young**—A delicious little dessert apple, late.
- Scarlet Nonpareil**—A handsome, good keeping, dessert variety; late.
- Scarlet Pearmain**—One of the prettiest apples grown, good dessert; medium.
- Schroeders**—Dessert and cooking, a fine variety, raised by Mr. E. Schroeder, Castlemaine.
- Scotch Red Streak**—Very much resembling Gravenstein, and ripening at same time.
- Selector**—A first-class late apple.
- Shockley**—A very pretty, highly-coloured apple of good keeping qualities; late.
- Shorland Queen**—A very beautiful dessert apple; medium.
- Siberian Crab**—Small in appearance, resembling a cherry, good colour and ornamental, of little or no commercial value.
- Stone Pippin**—A well-known apple, and one of the best where it does well; late.
- Strathden**—A beautiful apple of colonial origin; medium.
- Sturmer Pippin**—A constant bearer, good dessert and a long keeper; late.
- Swaar**—Large, yellow and russet, flesh soft, of good flavour, tree strong grower and good bearer; late.
- The Queen**—In England this is considered one of the most beautiful varieties grown, cooking and dessert; late.
- Thomson's Long Keeper.**

APPLES (CONTINUED).

- Trivett's Seedling**—A medium-size apple, good colour, heavy bearer and blight-proof; medium.
- Twenty Ounce**—A very large culinary apple; medium.
- White Nonpareil**—A richly flavoured dessert apple; late.
- William Anderson**—A very pretty dessert apple, above medium size, good flavour, and keeps well; tree blight-proof; late.
- William's Favourite**—A very handsome dessert apple; early.
- Winter Majetin**—A good cooking apple, blight-proof; late.
- Winter Peach**—Medium size, cream colour, flesh very tender and juicy, with fine acidity, a valuable cooking apple and keeps well; late.
- Winter Strawberry**—A useful, late keeping variety, dessert; late.
- Yates**—An exceedingly handsome dessert apple; late.

APPLES

New and of Recent Introduction.

Price—1/6 each or 15/- per dozen, except those priced.

- Albury Park Nonsuch**—A large, heavy apple of first-rate quality as a culinary apple, and a good keeper. The tree is vigorous, and an enormous cropper. Award of merit from the Royal Horticultural Society, England.
- Allington Pippin**—A most valuable dessert fruit, closely related to "Cox's Orange Pippin," but distinct in colour, quality, and growth. The fruit is medium sized, roundish, even, regular and smooth in outline; skin clear lemon on shaded side, but flushed with red on the sunny side, flaked with broken bars of crimson; flesh greenish white, very juicy, crisp yet melting, sweet, with a delicate "Cox's" flavour, growth sturdy, and a splendid bearer.
- Apple of Commerce**—A new American apple of great beauty, with two shades of red, and a heavy blue bloom; of large size nearly round, very solid and perfect in every way; it is a great bearer, and does not blow off the tree; quality is first rate, and it will keep till November; late. 2/6 each.
- Beauty of Bath**—A valuable addition to our extra early dessert apples. Fruit medium size, round, a little flattened; skin yellowish green, beautifully striped and spotted with crimson in the sun, flesh slightly yellowish, with a brisk, rich, spicy flavour; a superior early apple, good bearer. 2/- each.
- Bielo Borodawka**—Fruit clear yellow and pale rose, red striated on the sunny side, very large and prolific, supposed to be an improvement on "Emperor Alexander;" medium.
- Black Ben Davis**—Seedling from "Ben Davis," introduced from United States, America. It is a decided improvement, more beautiful, solid red colour, better quality, better keeper, surer cropper, and should need no further recommendation; late. 2/- each.

APPLES, NEW AND OF RECENT INTRODUCTION (CONTINUED).

Cliff's Seedling—Fruit large, "Pearmain" shaped, and most highly coloured, with a beautiful bright gloss all over. Flesh yellow, crisp, juicy, and of exquisite flavour; a late keeping and invaluable market variety; tree remarkable for its upright and vigorous growth, perfectly blight-proof; late. 2/- each.

Delicious—A most beautiful and delicious apple from Iowa. Tree a strong grower, hardy and most prolific bearer, fine colour, like "Jonathan," and most exquisite flavour. One of the best late keeping apples. 2/- each.

Early Richmond—Medium size, good flavour, and a prolific bearer. Tree robust grower, with large leaves resembling "Red Astrachan," blight-proof; early.

Early Rivers—Tree robust and prolific, fruit of excellent flavour, ripening a week earlier than "Lord Suffield," and said to be much superior to that apple; early.

England's Glory (Gascoigne Scarlet)—A very handsome red-cheeked apple, from Kent, free grower, and a great bearer, a first-class dessert apple.

Fall Beauty—Large, beautiful, waxy-yellow, an excellent culinary apple; blight-proof.

Framboise d'Holovou (Holovou's Raspberry Apple)—One of the best Bohemian varieties. Fruit yellow, with a crimson cheek, flesh white, striped with red; melting, juicy, with a strong flavour of Raspberries. Tree vigorous and prolific; late. 2/- each.

Glowing Coal—A large, very highly coloured apple.

Ivanhoe—A valuable late-keeping apple. Fruit medium to large size; colour, when ripe, light golden yellow, excellent quality, crisp, juicy and sprightly.

John Sharp—Named by the raiser, Mr. H. E. Sharp, of Waikumete, N.Z., in honour of his father. Mr. Sharp, who is a most enthusiastic but conservative grower, and careful not to launch any variety upon the market until fully tested and its value proved, pronounces this his greatest triumph out of the many thousands of seedlings that he has fruited. Being a seedling of that good old variety Pomme de Neige speaks well for its parentage. The fruits are of large size, average specimens measuring 4 inches wide at the base and $3\frac{3}{4}$ inches high; shape roundish-conical and somewhat five-sided; skin smooth, shining greenish yellow covered all over with clear red, and striped with rich deep red on the exposed side, strewed all over with russet dots; flesh yellowish, firm, crisp, juicy and sweet. An invaluable and beautiful dessert apple of the highest excellence. In use from May to August. The tree is of vigorous habit, very hardy, a heavy and regular bearer, and perfectly blight-proof. 2/6 each.

Kooroochiang—A colonial seedling, raised by Mr. R. Whatmore, of Smeaton; it is a strong grower, said to be a good bearer and a good keeper. This apple is fruiting with me this season and is really a first class variety. 2/- each.

APPLES, NEW AND OF RECENT INTRODUCTION (CONTINUED).

- McMahon's White**—A new variety, very hardy, and one of the best apples of American origin yet introduced. The fruit is large, well shaped, with white flesh, fine grained, and of excellent quality. The trees bear young, and are vigorous, healthy and productive, said to be a first-class market variety, and blight-proof; medium.
- Oregon Mammoth Black Twig**—Vigorous grower, and very hardy; fruit very large, many specimens measuring 12 inches in circumference; colour dark red; flesh firm, long keeper. 2/- each.
- Paragon**—The tree bears very young, and is productive. Fruit large, roundish, somewhat flattened, dark red; flesh firm, yellow, crisp, aromatic, sub-acid and juicy; it is a very late keeper, and of excellent quality. 2/- each.
- Rambourg de Winnitza**—Very large, said to weigh up to 2 lbs., skin yellow, sometimes striped with crimson, flesh firm, juicy, vinous, very late variety; tree of pyramid growth. 2/- each.
- Ruby Gem**—A beautiful apple of medium size, brilliant red all over. Flesh snowy white, tender, crisp, juicy, mild, sub-acid and delicious, strong grower and early bearer; blight-proof; medium. 2/- each.
- Ruby Pearmain**—Fruit "Pearmain" shaped, of medium size, nearly covered with red, and of good quality, tree hardy and good grower, blight-proof; late.
- Santa Clara King**—A large roundish apple with yellow skin and red blush on the exposed side, flesh very crisp and juicy; good for all purposes; a good market variety; early. 2/- each.
- Senator**—A new apple of superior merit. For rare beauty and singularly fine quality the choice of everyone. The great show apple at the World's Fair. Just the right size to attract buyers. Tree a vigorous grower and regular bearer; flesh yellowish white and of exquisite quality. 2/- each.
- Sharp's Early**—Raised by Mr. H. E. Sharp. Perfectly blight-proof as far as tested. Fruit of medium size and most handsome appearance, yellow ground, covered with red and crimson stripes; tree a regular and heavy cropper; ripens early in January, one of the best early dessert apples.
- Sharp's Late Red**—A variety raised by Mr. H. E. Sharp. It is a vigorous grower, hardy and prolific; fruit large; flesh yellow, firm, juicy, melting, with a rich aromatic flavour; colour, bright red on yellow ground, mottled and streaked with bright crimson; in season from June to December. An invaluable variety for any collection. The parent tree has shown no signs of woolly aphid.
- Sharp's Nonsuch**—Another of Mr. H. E. Sharp's seedlings. Vigorous grower and blight-proof; skin deep yellow, striped with red; flesh yellow, tender, and very juicy; pleasant flavour, medium. 2/- each.
- Springdale**—Is one of Stark Bros.' finest late-keeping apples; size, very large; colour, brightest red; tree hardy, good grower, with dark green foliage, and said to be a regular and heavy cropper. This new variety is very promising, and has been the winner of many prizes; tree is blight-proof. 2/- each.

APPLES, NEW AND OF RECENT INTRODUCTION (CONTINUED).

Statesman—A local seedling raised by Mr. W. Chandler, of "Como," Bayswater. The tree is an upright grower and good bearer; fruit, bright golden, striped and shaded with crimson; a good dessert and cooking variety. The raiser has kept same in good condition as late as December.

Taunton—Large, conical, yellow, with dark red cheek; flesh, yellow, crisp, highly flavoured; tree productive and vigorous; medium. 2/- each.

Taupaki—A New Zealand variety, most highly coloured and perfectly-shaped fruit, a yellow ground, streaked and striped with bright crimson, a good keeper, and a delicious "Spy" flavour. Trees come into bearing when quite young, a sure and heavy cropper. Tree perfectly blight-proof, having been thoroughly tested under various conditions. Useful for all purposes. 2/6 each.

Whiney's Late Red—Large, deep red, resembling "Ben Davis," but of much better quality; good grower, a valuable long-keeping and export apple. 2/- each.

Wolf River—A most magnificent and valuable apple. A good dessert, and yet most excellent cooker; it is very large, yet, unlike other apples, it does not drop. Some specimens measured 15 inches round, and weighed 21 ounces. Colour, yellow ground, splashed and striped with lively red. 2/- each.

Woodstock Pippin.

DWARF APPLE TREES.

Price—18/- per dozen.

These are dwarfed by first working the "Paradise" on to the "Northern Spy," and then the variety on to the "Paradise." They are specially adapted for small gardens where a number of varieties are required, as they can be planted six feet apart. They produce fine fruit, and come early into bearing.

Adams' Pearmain.

Baumann's Red Winter

Reinette.

Brownlee's Russet.

Cellini.

Cornish Gilliflower.

Cox's Orange Pippin.

Esopus Spitzenberg.

Golden Reinette.

Golden Russet.

Golden Spire.

Jonathan.

Lane's Prince Albert.

London Pippin.

Morgan's Seedling.

Mr. Gladstone.

Munro's Favourite.

Perfection.

Pomme de Neige.

Prince Bismarck.

Prince of the Pippins.

Ribston Pippin.

Rome Beauty.

Shorland Queen.

Sturmer Pippin.

William Anderson.

APRICOTS

ON SEEDLING APRICOT STOCKS.

Price—12/- per Doz., £3/15/- per 100, except those priced.

Allen's Early—An early apricot of good quality; medium.

Alsace—Large, pale orange, rich and good; medium.

Beauge—Medium size, good colour and very fine flavour, heavy bearer; medium.

Belle de Toulouse—Large, rich and good; late.

Blenheim (Syn. Shipley)—

Campbellfield Seedling—Fine golden yellow, an excellent variety for jam making, hardy and good bearer; medium.

Canino Grosse—Large, bright orange; a hardy apricot of good quality; medium.

Dundonald—Large, orange, very rich, and late.

Early Golden—A somewhat small fruit, but very early, and on that account likely to bring better prices than later and finer apricots. It is a rich yellow, very productive and sweet.

Early Moorpark—Similar to "Moorpark," but earlier.

Hative d' Auvergne—Highly flavoured, good grower; early.

Hemskirke—Bright orange, tender, rich and juicy, an excellent bearer; medium.

Kaisha—A richly-flavoured variety; early.

Large Early—A fine early apricot of excellent flavour.

Large Red—Deep orange red, a hardy variety of the peach apricot; medium.

Luizette—Very large fruit, rich and highly flavoured. It was raised by M. Luizet, of Lyons. For fine size, good quality, and vigor of growth, it is unsurpassed. It is also an abundant and regular bearer.

Mansfield Seedling—Very large, one of the finest grown; late.

Montgamet—Fruit medium size, juicy, and agreeably acid; good for preserving; early.

Moorpark—A well-known apricot of great excellence; medium.

Mrs. Hart—A variety from Queensland, good cropper.

Oullin's Early Improved—A very fine early apricot, said to be an improvement on "Oullin's Early Peach Apricot."

Oullin's Early Peach—A large fruit of most delicious flavour, one of the best early apricots.

Peach—Large, oval, juicy, and sugary, somewhat musky flavour; medium.

Pennant Hill Oval—Large, oval, sweet, and very prolific.

Pine Apple—Large, rich, and of beautiful colour; late.

Precoce de Victoria.

Precoce de Wunnie—A seedling of "Oullin's Early Peach," which it resembles, but ripens earlier.

APRICOTS (CONTINUED).

- Roman**—Medium size, pale yellow, very hardy, suitable for cool districts; medium.
- Rouge** (*syn.* Angoumois)—Small, deep yellow, red on the sunny side, good flavour; early.
- Royal**—Large, one of the best for drying; medium.
- Royal George**—Large, deep orange, one of the finest for preserving; late.
- Sardinian**—A very early small apricot of good flavour, strong grower, and a heavy bearer.
- Shipley**—Deep yellow, an early productive variety.
- St. Ambrose**—Large, rich, and good; medium.
- Turkey**—Medium size, highly coloured, rich and sugary; late.
- Twyford Seedling**—Good bearer; late.
- Warwick**—Large, resembling "Moorpark," constant bearer, flesh orange, firm, particularly rich and sugary; early.

NEW APRICOTS.

Price—2/- each; 18/- per Doz.; £5 per 100.

- Acme of Shense**—Very large yellow with a red cheek, good quality; freestone. The tree is a free and vigorous grower.
- Gooley**—A new Californian seedling of large size and good flavour. It is considered a very valuable variety, being largely planted where known. Said to be the earliest of the large varieties.
- J. L. Budd**—The best Russian apricot, strong grower and profuse bearer, fruit large size, colour white with red cheek, fine flavoured.
- Harris**—Recommended by Mr. Luther Burbank, comes from New York, U.S.A. A leading grower writes: "We now have an apricot—the 'Harris'—which succeeds almost everywhere. The fruit of the 'Harris' is described as rich golden yellow, large size, very fine quality, early bearer, immensely prolific." Coming with such a recommendation from one of the severest climates of the United States, there can be no doubt about its hardiness, and it should prove a valuable acquisition.

CHERRIES.

Price—12/- per Doz.; £3/15/- per 100.

- Bedford Prolific**—Large, handsome, black, a good market variety; medium.
- Belle d'Orleans**—Red, tender and juicy; early.
- Belle Ellen** (*syn.* Wilk's Seedling)—large, deep glossy black, first-class cherry; medium.

CHERRIES (CONTINUED).

Bigarreau, Christy's—A large midseason cherry of colonial origin; medium.

„ **Cleveland**—Bright red and yellow, richly flavoured; medium.

„ **Common**—Large fine and good bearer, pale red; medium.

„ **d'Hollande**—Bright red, firm flesh and prolific; late.

„ **Frogmore**—Large, pale yellow and red, juicy, and of excellent flavour; early.

„ **Gros Cœuret**—Large, dark red, flesh firm; medium.

„ **Late Mottled**—A first-class late cherry.

„ **Monstrueux de Mezel**—A very large handsome cherry of excellent quality; medium.

„ **Napoleon**—Large, bright red, firm; late.

„ **Red**—A fine large red cherry; medium.

„ **Riverchon**—Large, dark red, almost black; late.

„ **Rockport**—A delicious soft-fleshed cherry; early.

„ **Twyford**—Pale yellow and red, of first-class quality; early.

„ **Turkey**—Large, red and yellow, heavy bearer; medium.

Black Bohemian—A large fine black cherry, and first class for market; medium.

„ **Eagle**—Medium size, a very heavy and regular bearer; medium.

„ **Republican**—A black variety of medium size, a most prolific bearer; medium.

„ **Tartarian**—Large, black; strong grower, and very prolific, good market variety; medium.

Burgsdorf's Seedling—A first-class cherry of colonial origin; raised by Mr. Burgsdorf, of Harcourt.

Doncaster Prolific—A local seedling, said to be an improvement on "Bedford Prolific," being much firmer, and a better market variety; medium.

Eagle's Seedling—A fine black cherry, ripening about the same time as the "Common Bigarreau," when black cherries are scarce; medium.

Early Lyons—Black, firm flesh, and large; early.

„ **Purple Guigne**—A delicious black cherry, large and early.

„ **Rivers**—A splendid black cherry; early.

Florence—Large, very firm, a heavy bearer, late, and first-class market cherry.

Heart of Midlothian—Large, nearly black, flesh tender and rich; early.

Kentish—Good for cooking and preserving; medium.

Knight's Early Black—Large and heavy bearer; early.

Lewelling—An American seedling from "Black Tartarian," of great merit, fruit deep rich cherry colour, and fine flavour; late.

Louis the 18th—A large, late, black, firm-fleshed cherry.

May Duke—Large, brownish-black; early.

CHERRIES (CONTINUED).

Montmorency—An early cherry of the "Morello" class, said to be a week earlier than the "Kentish" cherry.

Morello—A cooking cherry; late.

Olivet—Large, globular, shining, deep red; tender, rich and vinous, the best of the "Duke" tribe.

Oregon—A new seedling cherry from Oregon. Very large, colour red-dish purple, flesh firm and sweet; very late; a great acquisition.

Oxheart—A large handsome cherry, dark red, flesh firm, with a brisk and pleasant flavour; medium.

Reine Hortense—Large, bright red, changing to dark red, skin very thin and translucent, tender and juicy; late.

Royal Duke (Donna Maria)—Large and handsome, deep shining red, tender, juicy and very rich; medium.

St. Marguerite—Very large, black, firm, one of the best market varieties; late.

Toronto—Black, medium size, strong grower and very prolific; medium.

Werder's Early Black—A fine black Cherry, heavy bearer, and fine flavour; early.

Windsor—Very large, dark red, nearly black, very firm; late.

CHERRIES—New and Recently Introduced.

18/- per dozen (except those priced).

Abesse—Of the "Red Duke" family, largely grown in Russia and East Europe. Has been tested with best results in United States. Fruit is large, dark red, delicious, almost equal to the "Heart" cherries.

Belle de Montreuil—Fruit very large, round, marbled with red; flesh firm deep red, sugary, perfumed; early. 2/6 each.

Bigarreau Elizabeth—A large red cherry; late.

Bigarreau Pelissier—A beautiful large cherry, imported from France, measuring one inch in diameter; skin dark glossy red; flesh firm, juicy, crisp and sugary; a first-class early variety. 3/6 each.

California Advance—A seedling of "Early Purple Guigne;" fruit large, purple; tree a great bearer; the best early cherry. 2/- each.

Chapman—Introduced from California, a seedling of "Black Tartarian," larger and finer, a better bearer, and—what constitutes its great value—much earlier, ripens immediately after "Purple Guigne."

Centennial—A Californian seedling of the largest size and highest excellence; tree most vigorous and robust, hardy grower, and prolific bearer.

Francis Moss.

CHERRIES, NEW AND OF RECENT INTRODUCTION (CONTINUED).

Ostheimer—Another new variety of the "Morello" type. Begins to bear very early, and produces heavy and regular crops. Fruit large, heart-shaped, almost black when ripe, rich, juicy, and less acid than the "Morello." Very hardy both in tree and fruit-bud; flowers late, and cherries hang on well.

Ramon Oliva—A beautiful variety, dark red, glossy, flesh firm, sweet and fine; very early and prolific.

Suda Hardy—A most valuable late cherry, an improved "Morello" of which it is evidently a seedling, and it surpasses that good old variety. The tree is hardier, with better foliage, and a most thrifty grower, exceedingly prolific.

NECTARINES.

Price—12/- per Doz.; £3/15/- per 100.

Albert Victor—A very large handsome fruit, very juicy, with a brisk and sprightly flavour; medium.

Byron (Rivers)—A late orange nectarine, flavour rich and excellent, extra large and handsome, heavy cropper. A great acquisition to this desirable class.

Early Rivers—Fruit of largest size, skin rich crimson on side next sun, light yellow marked with red on shaded side; flesh is tender, juicy, and very rich, with a decided "Stanwick" flavour; very early.

Elruge—Medium size, melting, juicy and richly flavoured; early.

Fairchild's White—Fruit rather small, a great bearer; early.

Goldmine—This Nectarine I imported from Messrs. D. Hay & Son, of Auckland, New Zealand, and give their description of same:—"A chance seedling that originated in the garden of Mr. Lundon, of Parnell. The original tree, grown in an open and exposed situation, first attracted our attention by its extreme hardiness, beautiful foliage, vigorous, sturdy, and upright growth. From subsequent observations, we have no hesitation in recommending this remarkable new seedling nectarine as superior to all others for productiveness and all round good qualities. The fruit is of an enormous size, larger than any nectarine we have hitherto seen, several specimens gathered this summer measuring as much as 9 x 7 inches. It is a perfect freestone, the pit or stone being extremely small for so large a fruit. The flesh is a beautiful cream colour, tender, juicy, melting, and sugary, and of most delicious flavour. Colour, bright bronzy red; season of ripening, last week of February. The flowers are large, resembling those of 'Early Rivers.' Habit of tree extremely vigorous, and most symmetrical in growth and appearance, with very large dark-green leaves. Another good feature in its growth is that there are no blind buds. We cannot speak too highly of this grand new variety, but we predict that this local seedling will take the place amongst nectarines that 'Burbank' does amongst plums."

Goldoni—A fine dark-coloured variety of excellent flavour.

NECTARINES (CONTINUED).

- Humboldt**—Fruit large, bright orange, dark crimson on the sunny side; flesh very tender, juicy and richly flavoured; medium.
- Hunt's Tawny**—Pale orange and deep red, rich and juicy; early.
- Irrewarra**—Medium or above medium, highly coloured, of good flavour, a freestone and very early.
- Lord Napier**—Fruit of large size, flesh white, tender, juicy, and with a rich "Stanwick" flavour; early.
- Mrs. Dr. Chisholm**—A very early variety, ripe in the beginning of December.
- Olmstead**—A new Nectarine imported from California. It promises to be a sterling variety, season late, size large, red-cheeked on side next to sun and very showy; flavour is very rich and sweet, equal to the very best, and is a perfect freestone; tree hardy and a good grower.
- Red Roman**—Large, yellow and red, rich, juicy, and highly vinous; medium.
- Shorland Tawny**—A fine variety and good flavour; medium.
- Stanwick**—Large, quality first-class; late.
- Victoria Rivers**—Very large, of good quality, and a heavy bearer.
- White Slipstone**—Large, with a slight tinge of red next the sun, very juicy and fine flavour; early.

NEW NECTARINES.

Price—2/- each; 18/- per Doz.

- Ansenne**—The parent of "Goldmine." The fruit is of the largest size, and very highly coloured; flesh tender, melting, and of most delicious flavour; tree extremely hardy, and a regular cropper.
- Cardinal (Rivers)**—This valuable nectarine ripens ten days ahead of "Early Rivers," is of medium size, very brilliant colour, and exquisite distinct flavour; forms a compact, sturdy tree, and bears freely; most valuable on account of its extreme earliness.
- New Boy**—Fruit of largest size and extremely handsome, covered all over with brilliant crimson; flesh white, juicy, sugary, and of exquisite flavour; tree very hardy and a profuse cropper; one of the best.

PEACHES.

All my Peaches are worked on Seedling Peach Stocks.

Price—12/- per Doz.; £3/15/- per 100.

- Alexander's Early**—Very fine quality, and highly coloured.
- Alexandra Noblesse**—Richly flavoured, tender and juicy; early.
- Amelia**—A fine early white-fleshed peach, nearly covered with bright rose, and of first-class quality.
- American Pound**—Large, round fruit; medium.

PEACHES (CONTINUED).

Amsden's June—Highly coloured, good flavour; very early.

Arkansas Traveller—A first-class early peach, similar to "Briggs' Red May."

Barnard's Early—Medium to large, yellow and purplish red; flesh yellow, red at the stone, juicy, sweet, and rich; hardy, and a heavy bearer.

Bilyen's Late October—Fruit large, with a bright red cheek, flesh white, sweet, and excellent; late.

Bonanza—A magnificent large freestone peach; very late; has a rich red cheek, white flesh, fine quality, productive, and a vigorous grower; a valuable acquisition as a late peach.

Beer's Smock—Large yellow, mottled with red; very productive, useful for canning and drying; late.

Bower's Early—A very attractive and useful variety, one of the best of the second early kind.

Brandywine—A large yellow peach, similar to "Late Crawford," but ripening much later.

Briggs' Red May—Very early, highly coloured, rich and juicy.

Burton's Newington—Fine flavour; medium.

Camden Excellent—One of the finest late peaches.

Chair's Choice—A late yellow-fleshed peach of largest size; deep yellow, with red cheek: flesh firm, and quality unsurpassed either as a dessert fruit or canned; ripens with "Salwey."

Champion—A new hardy early variety of largest size, highest flavour and best shipper of early peaches, a perfect freestone; colour beautiful creamy white, with a bright red cheek; very handsome in appearance, and should become a first-class market variety.

Chatsworth Yellow—Good canning variety; late.

Christiania—A beautiful and most delicious peach, of superior size and quality; late.

Comet—Very large, yellow flesh, a fine canning peach; late.

Conkling—A splendid yellow-fleshed peach, very hardy and prolific, good for canning; medium.

Crimson Beauty—A valuable clingstone peach, with white flesh; skin creamy yellow, with one-half the surface covered with bright crimson; said to be very hardy and productive; ripens end of February.

Crosby—A very hardy peach which originated in Massachusetts about 1875. The original trees, by their extreme hardiness and abundant bearing for ten years, have brought their value under public notice; during seasons when all other varieties failed, "Crosby" had fine crops, and the product sold at highest figures. The trees are of dwarf, sturdy habit, with dark-green foliage; fruit is all that could be desired—fine colour, flesh yellow, flavour superb; it will sell alongside of any other sort of its season, and has been kept for two weeks after travelling a long distance by rail.

PEACHES (CONTINUED).

- Domergue**—A new variety imported from France, said to be the earliest peach known; a good bearer, exquisite flavour, freestone.
- Downing**—Dark red, very richly flavoured; early.
- Duke of Edinburgh**—Nice coloured and very productive; late.
- Early Crawford**—A splendid yellow and crimson coloured peach, good for canning or dessert; medium.
- „ **Rivers**—A most delicious peach, white with red where exposed to the sun. This is a very heavy cropper in all districts.
- „ **Silver**—Creamy white, delicately coloured on the exposed side; large and constant bearer; tree very dwarf.
- Elberta**—A splendid midseason peach, and spoken of in the highest terms by *The American Garden*. It is a large, handsome peach, well coloured by the sun, yields heavy crops, and carries well.
- Ford's Late**—This is said to be the latest of all the white freestone peaches, and a most valuable market variety.
- Foster**—This is considered one of the best peaches of American origin, and before all others for drying and canning; large, deep orange red, with rich colour on the exposed side, flesh yellow, rich and juicy; freestone; a few days earlier than "Early Crawford."
- Fox's Seedling**—Of good size and fine quality, white flesh, red cheek, and carries well.
- Geary's Hold-on**—A large yellow peach seedling of the "Smock"; late.
- Gibling's Seedling**—A popular hardy variety, rich and large; medium.
- Globe**—This is one of the largest, most delicious peaches of the age. It is a golden yellow, with beautiful red cheek; is a freestone of the largest size, with firm yellow flesh, pleasant, rich, and juicy, globular in form, with good keeping qualities, and an enormous bearer.
- Governor Garland**—A medium-size peach, rich rosy colour, white flesh, delicious flavour and fragrance when fully ripe; early.
- Haine's Early**—Medium size, good flavour.
- Hale's Early**—A really first-class peach in every way, and always brings the top price in the market.
- High's Early Canada**—A very early peach of greatest excellence, ripening same time as "Brigg's Red May," but a better bearer.
- Improved Flat China**—An improvement on "Flat China"; very early.
- Jenkins' Red**—A very highly coloured peach of good flavour; medium.
- Jones' Early**—Very fine colour, rich flavour.
- Kerr's Seedling**—A splendid large hardy variety; late.
- Keyport White**—A large white peach with red cheek, very prolific and popular.
- Lady in Gold**—This is a handsome, large, and attractive variety, and is desirable not only for market but for the home garden, being one of the best in quality of any of the yellow-fleshed peaches; it is highly coloured and a freestone, ripening immediately after "Hale's Early."
- Lady Palmerston**—Similar to "Comet"; late.
- Large Early York**—A fine early peach, good flavour.

PEACHES (CONTINUED).

Late Crawford—A superior yellow peach, very large, productive, good for canning or market; late.

Lemon Cling—A large lemon-coloured clingstone peach, good for canning.

Lord Palmerston—A very large late peach.

Lovett's White—Mr. J. T. Lovett says: "This peach has every quality demanded in the ideal white peach. A perfect freestone." Colour pure white, very large, strong grower, hardy and prolific; late.

Magdala—A fine-coloured peach of good flavour; medium.

Mary's Choice—A large and beautiful yellow peach of the highest quality, ripening a little after "Early Crawford"; medium.

Merchant Campbell—Large and good; medium.

Merrie Merrie—Large, good colour and rich; medium.

Milner's Earliest-of-All—A Sydney variety, said to be very early, of good colour and flavour, comes in with "Brigg's Red May," carries well, clingstone.

Morris' White—Large oval, skin creamy white, melting, juicy, rich and sweet; medium.

Mountain Rose—A medium-size hardy peach of good quality; medium.

Muir—A large freestone peach, one of the best for canning and drying. It is a good bearer and strong grower, a most useful variety; late.

Old Mixon (Freestone)—Large, good flavour and handsome; late.

Orange Cling—A very large yellow peach, a good canning variety. It is a strong grower and heavy bearer.

Oriole—Said to be of Chinese origin, very large, of the best quality, rich yellow colour, of the highest flavour, and among the earliest, freestone.

Osprey—A large and handsome peach, greenish-white, nearly covered and mottled with red; flesh rich, melting and delicious; ripens just after "Sea Eagle," on which it is a great improvement, being superior in quality and flavour; late.

Powell's Beauty—A beautiful large yellow freestone peach, with deep red cheek. Mr. Powell, in whose garden it originated, has picked from the tree peaches which weighed 12 ounces. It is of delightful flavour, and keeps well.

Pratt—Fruit large and handsome, nearly covered with rich red; flesh yellow, of the highest quality; medium.

Prince of Wales—An excellent large peach; late.

Prize—A large yellow freestone of good quality, a profitable late variety, and very popular where known.

Reed's Early Golden—An improvement on "Crawford's Early," with which it ripens. It is larger and handsomer, and a very reliable and heavy bearer.

Reeve's Favourite—Large, yellow with red cheek; flesh yellow, red at the stone; ripens a few days after "Crawford's Early"; flavour excellent; medium.

PEACHES (CONTINUED).

Red Magdalen—Highly coloured, one of the best; medium.

Richardson's Choice—It is very similar to "Powell's Beauty," and ripens at the same time. A first-class peach.

Roser—One of the hardiest and best late peaches ever introduced, a perfect freestone of the best quality; rich, meaty, and juicy, with a mild sub-acid flavour, and when cooked or canned has no superior. The fruit is large and somewhat oblong, with a beautiful flush on one side.

Royal George—A well-known variety, one of the best; medium.

„ „ (**Clingstone**)—Large, rich, and handsome; medium.

„ „ (**English**)—Large, good colour, and highly flavoured; medium.

Ruding's Late—White with bright red cheek, juicy, and highly flavoured, very productive and popular, one of the best, a regular and heavy bearer.

Salwey—Flesh deep yellow, similar to an apricot; late.

Saunders—Richly flavoured and highly coloured; early.

Sea Eagle—Very large, good colour and flavour; late.

Shipley's Red—This is one of the most beautiful of early peaches, and very popular where known. The fruit is of large size and fine appearance; flesh white, with beautiful flush; tree vigorous and very productive.

Silver Medal—A large white freestone peach, popular where known, hardy, and a great bearer.

Steadley—A large white-fleshed peach; late.

Steven's Rare Ripe—A large peach, good colour, white flesh.

Susquehanna—Fruit very large, colour rich yellow with red cheek, an excellent variety; medium.

Troth's Early Red—A medium-sized peach, red and white, flesh rich and excellent. It ripens shortly after "Early Rivers," and carries well.

Thurber—Fruit large; skin creamy-white, shaded and mottled with pale red and carmine where fully exposed; flesh white, a little red at the stone; fine grained, very juicy, rich and delicious; late.

Ulatis—A seedling of "Alexander," ripening just after the very early varieties, thus filling the gap before "Hale's Early" comes in. Colour bright red; flesh white; perfect freestone.

Wager—A large yellow peach, shaded with red; flesh yellow. It has been pronounced by experts to be the most delicious sort when canned; juicy, and of fine flavour; medium.

Ward's Late—A large freestone peach, white flesh, rich, juicy, and excellent flavour; a popular and reliable variety.

Waterloo—A medium-size peach, dark red, melting, and richly flavoured; early.

Wheatland—A large yellow freestone. It ripens a little later than "Late Crawford," and is one of the hardiest of peaches, firm, juicy, and of good quality.

PEACHES (CONTINUED).

Wilkin's Cling—A seedling of "Heath Cling," and ripening at same time, largest size; flesh white, sugary, rich and delicious.

Wonderful—This peach has been awarded first premium and special prize of silver medal in America. Mr. Lovett, the introducer, says: "It is of largest size, excellent quality, a regular and most prolific bearer, and in beauty excelled by no other peach."

Yellow Mystery—A large round yellow peach with crimson cheek. It is a handsome variety, with firm luscious yellow flesh; tree vigorous and productive; medium.

NEW PEACHES.

Price—2/- each, 18/- per dozen, except those priced.

Belle of Georgia—A grand market peach, second only to "Elberta"; these two stand first in the New York market for quality and price. "Belle of Georgia" is being largely planted, colour bright red and white.

Gold Dust—A new yellow clingstone peach. This grand peach comes from the United States, where it has the reputation of being one of the finest standard varieties. A prominent Californian writes:—"Best clingstone ever seen. Originated with and introduced by Stark Bros., and is designed to take the place of all other yellow clings now grown. Large, round, deep yellow with a red cheek; flesh very rich, yellow and juicy, of unusually fine quality."

Hay's Midseason—This variety originated in Messrs. D. Hay & Sons' Nursery, from a "Foster" seed. The fruit is of the largest size and handsome appearance and very best quality, rivalling that magnificent peach "Foster," which is the acme of perfection, and invariably carries off first honours at Horticultural Shows for size, appearance and quality. It is a freestone, flesh rich deep yellow, luscious and deliciously flavoured. Same season as "Foster." The tree is of hardy, robust constitution. 2/6 each.

Kia Ora—A seedling from "Elberta," identical in size and general appearance of the fruits with that most esteemed of all yellow-fleshed peaches, but of superior flavour; a much better cropper and hardier tree. No further recommendation is necessary for this valuable new seedling, which succeeds even in localities where "Elberta" fails. 2/6 each.

La France—Imported from France, said to be one of the best varieties raised by Mr. Alexis Lepere. Beautiful fruit, very large, somewhat higher than wide, one side thicker than the other; skin dark carmine-red; flesh white, fine, melting, juicy, of an exquisite perfume; tree vigorous and prolific; early. 3/6 each.

Louis Grognet—Imported from France. A seedling of Alexis Lepere, vigorous and prolific; fruit large, beautiful; flesh white, fine, sugary; freestone; ripens after "Hales' Early" and before "Grosse Mignonne Precocé." 2/6 each.

NEW PEACHES (CONTINUED).

Mamie Ross—Very large and handsome; flesh white and juicy, melting, ripens by middle of January, is a half-cling, sure bearer, and extremely hardy; a valuable market variety. 2/- each.

Poole Favourite—Imported from United States; resembles "Late Crawford," but larger, richer colour, better bearer, and ten days later; very large size and valuable for market. 2/6 each.

Red-leaved Peach—This peach is remarkable for the colour of its foliage; in the spring being of a bright purple, as the season advances they change to a deep bronze; the blossom is handsome, and the fruit, which is produced abundantly, is of fine flavour, clingstone and striped, making it of unique appearance; valuable for both shrubbery and orchard. 2/6 each.

Sneed—The earliest peach known; is said to ripen two weeks before "Brigg's Red May." It is a seedling from "Chinese Cling;" fruit medium size, somewhat oval in shape: colour creamy white, with rich red blush on sunny side, ripens evenly to the pit, and is of fine quality; very early. 2/6 each.

Triumph—The earliest yellow peach known; ripens just after "Sneed" and with "Alexander." This variety is much esteemed in United States, where it is well known. "Triumph" makes very strong growth, blooms late, has large flowers, and is a sure and abundant bearer. Fruit of large size, with small pit; skin yellow, nearly covered with red, showing dark crimson on the sunny side; flesh bright yellow and is better in quality than most yellow peaches; very early. 2/6 each.

Wiggins—An early freestone of large size and most highly coloured, ripens just after "Briggs' Red May" and before "Hale." Tree very hardy and prolific bearer; flesh very rich and juicy. Most valuable as a market peach; its large size, striking colour, as well as its season, secures for it the highest prices in the early markets. 2/- each.

PEARS.

ALL ON SEEDLING STOCKS.

Price—12/- per dozen, £3/15/- per 100.

Albert Burbridge.

Bailey's Bergamot—A splendid pear, rich and melting; tree strong grower and very productive.

Bartlett—See "Williams' Bon Chretien."

Beurre Bosc—A large dessert pear of a first-rate quality; medium.

„ **Brown**—An old favourite dessert pear; medium.

„ **Clairgeau**—A large pear of first quality; late.

„ **d'Anjou**—Large, melting, and juicy; medium.

„ **de Capiaumont**—A first-class market pear, very prolific and hardy; medium.

PEARS (CONTINUED).

Beurre Easter—A good winter dessert pear; late.

„ **Superfine**—Large, hardy, and a delicious melting pear; one of the best for dessert; tree hardy and prolific bearer.

Black Achan—Large, one of the best cooking varieties; late.

Broompark—Medium size; an excellent dessert pear; late.

Catillac—Very large, one of the best culinary pears; late.

Charles Cognac—Fruit large, yellow, of first-class quality; an early and abundant bearer; medium.

Citron des Carmes—Melting and juicy; very early.

Clapp's Favourite—An American pear of highest excellence, ripens just before "Williams' Bon Chretien"; early.

Comte de Chambord—An excellent pear, large and good bearer; late.

Comte de Flandre—Large and excellent; late.

Conference (Rivers)—Fruit large pyriform; skin dark green and russet; flesh salmon coloured, melting, juicy and rich; tree robust and hardy, making a strong, healthy growth. Very prolific, and a valuable market sort.

Doyenne Boussoch—Melting and juicy, first-class; medium.

„ **du Comice**—Large, rich, and melting; medium.

„ **d'Ete**—Small, juicy, and richly flavoured; early.

Duchess d'Angoulême—Large, buttery, sometimes melting, fine flavour, in some places coarse grained; late.

Elizabeth Cole—Flesh very tender, buttery, melting, rich, and of honied sweetness; late.

Elizabeth Sophia—Medium size, short, pyramidal, yellow and rich; medium.

Eyewood—A medium-sized pear; good bearer, and suited for export; medium.

Fertility (Rivers)—Ripens same time as "Louise Bonne of Jersey;" large fruit of brilliant colour and high flavour. The tree is a vigorous and healthy grower, and most valuable for market. It has never failed to produce a crop, and cannot be recommended too highly.

Flemish Beauty—A splendid dessert pear; medium.

Florelle—Medium size, lemon yellow and red on sunny side, melting, rich, sugary, and vinous flavour; late.

Gansell's Bergamot—One of the finest dessert pears; medium.

Gibling's Seedling—A favourite pear in Tasmania.

Idaho—Large globular yellow, fine grained, buttery, and melting; late.

Jargonelle—A well-known early pear.

Josephine de Malines—A most delicious pear, also one of the longest keeping sorts; late.

Joyau de September.

Keiffer's Hybrid—A very hardy and prolific variety, with a distinct pineapple flavour; late.

PEARS (CONTINUED).

- Lawson**—A dessert pear; crimson on bright yellow ground; juicy, pleasant, a good keeper and shipper; the largest early pear.
- L'Inconnue**—Medium size; a delicious late pear and heavy bearer.
- Louise Bonne of Jersey**—Melting, very juicy, and delicious; medium.
- Madam Cole**—A splendid late dessert variety.
- Madame Lang**—Fruit of medium size, roundish, obovate; skin smooth greenish yellow, covered with russet dots; flesh white, buttery, melting, sweet, and with a strong musky aroma. This is a seedling from "Josephine de Malines," and a prolific bearer.
- Marie Louise**—One of the best dessert; medium.
- Monchallard**—Large, bright yellow, shaded with red on the side next the sun; tender, melting, and very juicy; a first-class pear; early.
- Pitmaston Duchess**—A very handsome pear, of finest quality; medium.
- Seckle**—A small pear, sweet and rich; medium.
- Tashir**—A Japanese variety, fine yellow, heavy bearer, first class.
- Tasman Bergamot**—A well-known pear in Tasmania.
- Triomphe de Jodoigne**—Fruit large, regular and handsome; late.
- Uvedale's St. Germain**—Very large, a fine stewing pear; late.
- Vicar of Winkfield**—Large, melting, and very juicy; a very heavy bearer, and a good market pear; late.
- Williams' Bon Chretien**—Large, buttery, and melting; one of the finest summer pears grown; early.
- Winter Cole**—Melting, juicy, rich, and of exquisite flavour; a first-class pear; late.
- Winter Nelis**—One of the finest-flavoured late dessert pears.

PEARS

New and Recently Introduced.

Price—2/- each, 18/- per doz.

- Bergamotte Prince Rudolph d' Autriche**—Medium to large size; skin smooth; colour pale green, turning to golden lemon when ripe; flesh very melting.
- Bessamianka**—The hardest pear grown. Fruit medium sized, perfect pear shape, and nearly or quite seedless. Flesh tender, juicy, mild, sub-acid, almost buttery: a good dessert pear; ripe early autumn.
- Bezi Mai**—Large size and delicious flavour, a heavy and regular bearer, commencing to bear the third and fourth year, increasing rapidly in quantity of crop, strongly recommended for home and market use; late.
- Beurre de Mortillet**—A large and handsome fruit of obovate shape, 5 to 6 inches long. The flesh is white and pleasantly flavoured.

PEARS, NEW AND RECENTLY INTRODUCED (CONTINUED).

- Beurre Fonqueray**—A large and handsome pear. The blossoms seem to resist spring frosts better than those of most varieties of French origin. The tree is a stout, sturdy grower, and heavy cropper. First-class certificates from the Royal Horticultural Society and at the Garden and Forestry Exhibition at Earl's Court.
- Dempsey**—A cross between "Williams' Bon Chretien" and "Duchesse d'Angouleme"; fruit large, skin yellow, tinted with brown on the sunny side; flesh white, fine grained, tender, buttery, with a rich, sweet and delicious flavour; medium.
- Japanese Golden Russet**—A cooking pear, remarkable for early bearing; late.
- Koonce**—Tree is a vigorous grower and a heavy bearer. The very best early pear, and of great market value. Fruit golden yellow, with beautiful red cheek; does not rot at the core.
- Krull**—A late keeping variety, skin thick, and strong, flesh firm until fully ripe, when it becomes melting, rich and sweet.
- Lawson Variegated Leaved**—A beautiful variety of the "American Lawson Pear." The leaves are bordered with pure white, and do not burn in the sun.
- Le Lectier**—A grand new pear which originated at Orleans (France). The result of a cross between "Williams' Bon Chretien" and "Bergamotte Fortune." Tall, erect, well-shaped and vigorous, and regular bearer. Flesh fine, melting, very juicy, highly perfumed, without granulations. This variety is one of the very best of its season. Ripe end of April.
- Mount Vernon**—Large, nearly globular; colour rich cinnamon russet; flesh juicy, melting, with a spicy vinous flavour which is peculiar and distinct from that of any other known sort; tree is a vigorous grower and comes into bearing early; late.
- P. Barry**—Large, pyriform; skin orange-yellow; flesh very juicy, buttery, fine, excellent flavour, and a long keeper. The raiser states that he has exhibited this variety in May, France; very late.
- Senator Belle**—A seedling of "Easter Beurre." Very large and nice fruit; skin smooth, golden yellow; flesh fine, yellow, juicy and highly perfumed; much recommended; late.
- Souvenir de Jules Guindon**—A seedling of "Easter Beurre," Very large fruit; skin smooth clear green, turning yellow a long time before ripening; flesh fine, rich, juicy, and highly perfumed; late.
- Vermont Beauty**—A beautiful new seedling pear; medium size, roundish; skin yellow, nearly covered with carmine; flesh melting, sprightly and good; tree hardy, healthy, and very productive, a very handsome pear of greatest excellence.
- Wilder**—One of the earliest; good keeper and shipper; tree very vigorous; fruit medium, bell-shaped; pale yellow, with deep shading of brownish carmine; flesh whitish yellow, fine grained, tender; flavour sub-acid, sprightly, of good quality; very productive, probably the best early market pear.

PLUMS.

Price—12/- per dozen; £3/15/- per 100.

Angelina Burdett—Juicy, rich, and highly flavoured, purple; early.

Autumn Compote—A fine preserving plum; medium.

Belle de Louvain—Large purplish red, a cooking plum, and a good bearer; medium.

Brahy's Green Gage—This is a very fine large green-gage plum; late.

Bryanston Gage—Pale yellow, juicy and sweet; medium.

Clyman—Dark purple, firm, and of delicious flavour. The principal merit of this variety lies in its earliness, which makes it profitable for market purposes long before all other plums of this class.

Coe's Golden Drop—A splendid variety, large yellow; medium.

„ **Late Red**—Valued on account of its lateness; very late.

Damson, American—Small purple, juicy, sweet; early.

„ **Cole's Superior**—One of the best; late.

„ **Crittenden's**—Large, free bearer; late.

„ **French**—A small black plum, useful for preserving; late.

„ **Shropshire**—The best for jam; medium.

Decaisne—Large oval yellow, a rich dessert plum.

De Montford—A beautifully flavoured plum of the finest quality; early.

Diamond—Very large dark purple, splendid for preserving, and a heavy bearer; medium.

Duke of Edinburgh—A beautiful large red plum; medium.

Early Orleans—A fine early cooking plum.

Evans' Early—Medium black, covered with bright blue bloom, the earliest plum grown.

Goliath—A showy and good preserving plum; medium.

Grand Duke—Very large purple, richly flavoured, very productive, considered the best late plum grown.

Green Gage—A well-known delicious plum; medium.

Hill End—A large purple plum, much recommended by our friend the late Mr. Neilson; early.

Ickworth's Imperatrice—Medium size, purple, firm, rich and juicy; a good drying variety.

Kirk's—Large black, a very fine variety; medium.

Large Black Imperial—Very large, an excellent cooking plum, dark purple; medium.

Late Black Orleans—Reddish purple, good quality, and a great bearer; late.

PLUMS (CONTINUED).

Lombard—Medium size, violet red, first class for preserves or dessert. This plum is said to take the lead for productiveness.

Magnum Bonum Yellow—One of the best culinary plums, and a heavy and regular bearer, large yellow; late.

Magnum Bonum Red—A large red culinary plum.

McLaughlin—A large delicious plum of the green-gage race, makes an excellent sweetmeat when dried; medium.

October Green Gage—A first-class plum, regular and heavy bearer; late.

Oullin's Golden Gage—Rich yellow first-class dessert; early.

Peach—Bright red, a fine dessert variety; early.

Pissardii—Small fruit of little value; foliage crimson purple, giving it a striking appearance as an ornamental tree.

Pond's Seedling—Large red, a good bearer, a first-class market plum; late.

Prince Engelbert—A fine large purple plum, good as dessert or cooking; medium.

Princess Alexandra—A large red plum; medium.

Prune Bulgarian—Medium size, dark purple, sweet, and valuable for drying.

„ **d'Agén**—This is said to be the finest of all the prunes, large violet purple; medium.

„ **d'Ente**—A Californian variety.

„ **German**—A most valuable drying plum; medium.

„ **Golden**—Fruit very large, light golden colour, exquisite flavour. Dries beautifully, when dried 24 are said to weigh 1 lb. A strong grower and abundant bearer; one of the finest canning fruits known.

„ **Italian** (Fellenberg)—One of the best drying plums; medium

„ **Mirabelle von Flowtows**—A very large oval plum, somewhat resembling "Coe's Golden Drop," to which it is equal in flavour, but is fit for use much earlier.

„ **Silver**—This plum is said to be a seedling from "Coe's Golden Drop," but larger and more productive, and to be the best canning variety.

Red Cherry—A well-known early plum.

Reine Claude de Bavay—A most exquisite dessert plum of the green-gage type; late.

Reine Victoria—Very juicy, rich, and agreeable, purple; late.

Rivers' Early Prolific—A medium-size plum, very prolific; early.

Sultan—A culinary plum of great excellence, dark purple; early.

The Czar—A large purple variety, very rich, an abundant bearer; a most valuable early market plum.

Washington—Large roundish yellow, one of the best; medium.

Wilson's Yellow—Medium size, yellow, good bearer, and carries well; a seedling raised by Mr. F. Wilson, Doncaster.

PRUNES—New and Recently Introduced.

Price—18/- per dozen, £5 per 100.

Giant—First class in every way, as large as “Pond’s,” and very much superior in quality, two weeks earlier, and is of exquisite flavour. Flesh is honey-yellow, and of remarkable sweetness, and so firm that it can be shipped almost any distance in good condition. The trees bear well, and show “Giant” now to be, beyond question, one of the most valuable market plums.

Pacific—Large size, dark purple, good bearer, tree very sturdy, robust grower; a first-class prune.

Splendour—Is another magnificent prune raised from a seed of the “Prune d’Agen,” pollan of “Hungarian Prune.” The trees are perfection in growth and productiveness, and though having somewhat the appearance of “Petite d’Agen,” yet the branches are more sturdy, and with very little pruning naturally assume a uniform appearance much superior to either parent. As a combined drying, shipping, market, and table variety it has no rival. It is a perfect freestone, and ripens two weeks earlier than the “French Prune.”

Tragedy—This tree is a rapid grower, and of beautiful form. The fruit is quite large and elongated, with dark purple skin; the flesh is yellowish-green, and has a very rich flavour, and quite sweet, being so as soon as it begins to colour into ripeness. This prune is among the first of early fruits, commands very high prices for shipping, and promises to become the most valuable early plum grown.

JAPANESE PLUMS.

Price—1/6 each, 15/- per doz., £5 per 100.

This is an unique class of plum, of great beauty and productiveness. The fruit is exquisitely perfumed, and with a charming attractive bloom. The trees are exceedingly ornamental, and quite distinct from other varieties. The flesh is so firm and meaty that they can be safely shipped long distance, and kept in excellent condition. They are early, prolific bearers, and well worthy of trial by the fruit-growers.

Botan or Abundance—Very large, showy, and beautiful; amber, turning to rich bright cherry colour, with a white bloom; flesh yellow, juicy, tender, and of delicious sweetness impossible to describe; very early.

Botankio—A showy and prolific variety, somewhat heart-shaped, yellow, overspread with purplish-red and blue bloom; flesh deep orange, very firm, juicy, sugary, and sub-acid; strong grower.

Burbank—Medium size, nearly globular in shape; colour clear cherry-red, with a thin lilac bloom; flesh deep yellow; very sweet, with a peculiar and agreeable flavour; strong grower, and a most wonderful bearer.

JAPANESE PLUMS (CONTINUED).

Chabot—This variety bears very young; is a strong grower and very prolific; fruit 'greenish-purple, with orange-yellow flesh and very solid; good for drying.

General Saigo—This variety somewhat resembles the apricot, being very distinct, fine, and productive.

Early Yellow—Another of Mr. Luther Burbank's productions. Tree is an upright symmetrical grower, and extremely vigorous; fruit very large, round, bright yellow, of most handsome appearance, even size, and splendid quality.

Gold—This plum is a cross between the best American native plum and the Japanese, and said to be the best of its kind. Mr. Burbank writes:—"The 'Gold' tree always carries as much as it can hold of its handsome, luscious, golden globes."

Hattonkio—Large, red, of good flavour; a strong grower and great bearer; ripe with me in February.

Hattonkio No. 1—A beautiful large yellow plum, firm and juicy, with a rich sugary flavour; ripe early in February.

Hattonkio No. 2—Medium size, yellow, changing to red when fully ripe; an enormous bearer; early.

Kelsey (True)—The fruit is very large, with a remarkably small stone. It is of excellent quality, melting, rich, and juicy, and excels all other plums for canning. As a dried fruit it is equal to, if not surpassing, the best dried prunes, and being firm and meaty it possesses superior qualities for carrying long distances. Colour rich yellow, covered with bright red on the sunny side; late.

King Cole—Fruit of largest size, quite round; skin a fine clear carmine; flesh yellowish, with a fine vinous flavour; a very early variety, ripening ten days after "Abundance," and exceeding it in size.

Masu—Very prolific; fruit as large as "Botan," but later.

Mikado.

Ogan—A delicious plum, said to be one of the best; a good grower, and very prolific.

Okki Smomo—Medium to large; red, with a fine bloom; flesh yellow, very juicy and rich, of good flavour, and a heavy cropper.

Orient—A very fine variety; said to be larger and better colour than, "Burbank."

Red Heart—A large red fruit, very prolific; a very fine plum for preserving; late.

Red June—The fruit is of large size and beautiful fiery red colour; flesh firm, and fair quality. The tree is very handsome, hardy, and a rapid grower.

Satsuma or Blood Plum—Large and almost globular; the colour is dark red from skin to stone; flesh firm, juicy, and of a rich spicy flavour; a first-class variety.

Simonii—Fruit of large size, flattened; skin covered with deep crimson or dull brick-red; flesh yellow, firm, with a peculiar flavour; tree a strong upright grower; keeps for a long time after gathering—its only quality.

JAPANESE PLUMS (CONTINUED).

Universal No. 2—A very early variety.

Wickson—Raised by Mr. Luther Burbank. The fruit is evenly distributed over the tree, and from the time it is half-grown until a few days before ripening is of a pearly white colour, but all at once soft pink shadings creep over it, and in a few days it has changed to a glowing carmine, with a heavy white bloom; the stone is very small, and the flesh is of fine texture, firm, sugary, and delicious, and will keep two weeks or more after ripening, or can be picked when hard and white, and will colour and ripen almost as well as if left on the tree; one of the best.

Yellow Gage—Very heavy bearer.

„ **Japan**—Large and excellent.

JAPANESE PLUMS

New and Recently Introduced.

Price—2/- each, 18/- per dozen.

Chalco—One of Luther Burbank's new creations. The fruit, which ripens just before "Burbank," is large, flat like a tomatoe, deep red-dish purple, with very sweet, somewhat firm, exceedingly fragrant yellow flesh, pit or stone small; the fruits are almost stemless, and the crops so prolific that they surround the older branches. A superior shipping plum, as the fruits can be gathered when quite green and kept for a month. The foliage much resembles that of the "Burbank." A most promising looking variety.

Delaware—Fruit very large, round, with a distinct suture on one side; skin dark red, covered all over with a beautiful bloom; flesh firm, juicy, rich, and of a most agreeable flavour: season of ripening very late, after "Satsuma;" tree of robust growth and weeping habit, hardy and regular cropper.

Hale (true)—Fruit large, bright orange mottled with cherry red, superb in quality. Professor L. H. Bailey, the highest American authority on Japanese plums, says of the "Hale" plum:—"A very handsome, large, round-cordate plum, usually lop-sided; orange, thinly overlaid with mottled red, so as to have a yellowish red appearance, or, in well coloured specimens, deep cherry red with yellow specks; flesh yellow, soft, and juicy (yet a good keeper), not stringy, with a very delicious slightly acid peachy flavour, skin somewhat sour; cling; very late. I know the fruit only from specimens sent at two or three different times by Luther Burbank. To my taste these specimens have been the best in quality of all the Japanese plums."

Juicy—A hybrid plum; the fruit is of medium size and perfect shape, skin thin and transparent, light yellow overlaid with scarlet. The tree is a hardy and luxuriant grower, with dwarfish habit. The fruit keeps well when gathered.

JAPANESE PLUMS, NEW AND RECENTLY INTRODUCED (CONTD).

Nikko—A new plum, raised by Luther Burbank. Has not yet fruited, but shows well in vigour, foliage, and bud. Very highly spoken of by the raiser.

October Purple—Another of Mr. Burbank's seedlings. It is a very large, black purple, heart-shaped plum, with no splashes of lighter colour; flesh amber yellow, red beneath the skin, very juicy, but yet firm, sweet, and of most delicious flavour; clingstone. Tree bears freely when quite young, ripe same season as "Kelsey," of similar shape, and quite equal in flavour—which is considered the best and most luscious of all the Japanese varieties.

JAPANESE PERSIMMONS.

Price—24/- per doz.

These are all of my own growing, and being well rooted should do much better than those imported from Japan.

The fruit of the Persimmon, when ripe, is of a deep reddish-orange colour, in shape that of an orange, and some egg-shaped. The flavour, when perfectly ripe, is most luscious. It is best to be kept in a close jar after being picked, and is then most delicious. They ripen their fruit during winter, and in consequence furnish a valuable fruit for the table at a season when fruit is scarce.

Apple Shaped—Medium size, ripens well on the tree.

Carrington.

Dai Dai Maru—Very large, square or four sided, deep orange, almost seedless; early.

Flat Ribbed—Often seedless, a heavy cropper and strong grower.

Gibio Shin—This is said to be one of the best introduced, and is much in the way of "Nightingale's Seedless," but ripens later. It is very large and conical, flesh slightly dark, seedless.

Goshu Gaki—Flat, very sweet and juicy.

Hyakumo—Very large, oblong, early.

Haycheya (Red Seedless)—Very large, oblong, and a heavy cropper.

Jubilee—Very large, flat, four-sided, requires to be stored to ripen.

Kurokumo—Medium sized, almost round, good flavour, can be eaten off the tree.

Myodina.

Nightingale's Seedless—The best of the lot, fruit slightly conical, a great size, no seeds. The tree has a tendency to bear too heavily; early.

Nina.

Onshiu.

Sago Maru.

Seedless—Large fruited, very fine.

Shimomaru.

Sugar Loaf—This is a valuable persimmon on account of its ripening late. The fruit is rich dark red, long and conical, and hangs well.

JAPANESE PERSIMMONS (CONTINUED).

Tanenachi (Yellow Seedless)—Fruit of the largest size, conical, bright yellow with yellow flesh; a first-class variety.

Williams' Seedless—Round, flat, medium; a very heavy cropper when in bearing state, does not bear in a young state; wood upright; early.

Yemon—Large, round, rather flattened, seedless, one of the very best, can be eaten off the tree.

Zengi—Fruit small, round, deep orange skin, very good flavour, ripens on the tree.

QUINCES.

Price—12/- per doz., £3/15/- per 100.

Angers—A dwarf-growing variety.

Apple—Medium size, very prolific.

Champion—Fruit very large, smooth, handsome, and regularly formed; tree very productive, bearing abundantly when quite young; early.

Hertfordshire—Large and good.

Master's Early—A very fine early variety.

Meeche's Prolific—Large, with smooth, fine skin of orange-yellow; flesh fragrant, delicious, tender, and unsurpassed for cooking; ripens just after "Champion."

Pear-shaped—Very large, medium season.

Portugal—A very large late quince.

Rea's Mammoth—Very large, early, and fine colour.

NEW QUINCES.

Price—2/- each, 18/- per dozen.

Bourgeat—A new variety from U.S.A., described as one of the finest quinces ever offered; one of the best quality, tender; ripens just after the "Orange," and keeps till past mid-winter. The fruit is very large, rich golden colour, smooth velvety skin, and has so far proved to be free from leaf-blight. Makes a fine standard tree.

Fuller—Regular bearer, strong grower; the fruit ripens early, is of the largest size, pyriform in shape, of clear bright lemon-yellow colour, highly flavoured, and tender.

Hong Kong—An extraordinary fruit of immense size, often weighing over 2 lbs.; growth and foliage distinct from other kinds. Of no commercial value as a fruit.

Missouri Mammoth—The fruit grows to enormous size, with smooth skin and even outline, quite free from undulations about the eye; of a mild pleasant flavour, and unsurpassed for cooking. The tree is a luxuriant grower, and bears enormously; a first-class variety.

NEW QUINCES (CONTINUED).

Van Deman—Seedling of "Portugal." The fruit is of most superb flavour, texture, and quality for all purposes that quinces are used; it is said to be the best of all, and a very heavy and early bearer. It received the Wilder Medal at a meeting of the American Pomological Society, in October, 1891.

FIGS.

Price—1/6 each, 15/- per doz.

Abois Jasple	Castle Kennedy	Smyrna
Adam	Doree	St. Dominique
Black Ischia	La Royale	Violette
Black Provence	Large Black Genoa	White Genoa
Brown Ischia	Marseillaise	White Ischia
Brown Turkey	Pallane	White Provence
Brunswick	Poulette	

ORANGES AND LEMONS.

Price—2/6 each, 24/- per dozen.

Blood or Maltese—Fruit medium size, flattened; skin deep red, filled with an abundance of deep red juice; a good grower, and ripens early.

Charley Baker—This orange received from Queensland, where it gained great reputation for quality of fruit and general productiveness.

Homossassa—Medium size, bright colour, skin smooth, sweet and juicy; keeps and carries well.

Jaffa—Fruit large, nearly seedless, oval, thick skin; tree thornless, with large green foliage; said to be a great bearer.

Joppa—Probably one of the best of the recent introductions from California; tree of strong growth and very productive; fruit of nice size, and of the very best quality.

Mandarin, Beauty of Glen Retreat—For extreme beauty, high flavour and productiveness it is not surpassed by any other variety, and cannot be too highly recommended.

Mandarin, Canton—Fruit medium sized, quite flat, skin pale yellow; abounding in juice of a rich, high flavour; a strong upright grower and very prolific.

Mandarin, Emperor—The largest of the "Mandarins;" skin almost red, and loosely attached: flesh very juicy, but not so highly flavoured as "Thorny Mandarin," the most profitable for market.

Mandarin, Thorny—Fruit medium size, quite flat; flesh very juicy; the best flavoured of all the "Mandarins," and an immense bearer.

ORANGES AND LEMONS (CONTINUED).

- Mediterranean Sweet**—Remarkable for its early bearing and late ripening; splendid flavour; one of the most esteemed in California.
- Oonshi**—New seedless orange from Japan; a very hardy tree, said to stand frost well; pendulous habit; no seeds; flesh firm, thin skin; mid-way between an orange and a mandarin in size.
- Parramatta**—Fruit large size, round; skin deep yellow; flesh very juicy, and when trees attain age are of splendid quality; perhaps the best for market from its hardiness and productiveness.
- Seville**—Fruit large size, roundish, rather flattened, very solid; the best variety for marmalade.
- Siletta**—Fruit large size, flattened; skin pale yellow, very smooth and thin; abounding in juice; hardy and an enormous bearer.
- St. Michael**—Fruit of largest size; skin deep yellow, smooth and thin; very juicy, but few seeds; hardy and most profitable market variety.
- The Queen**—Large, round, skin thin and deeply coloured; splendid flavour and good cropper; a first-class variety.
- Valencia Late**—Large, oblong and firm. This orange is very late in ripening, and valuable on that account, as it would be marketable when other varieties are done.
- Washington Navel**—This is in all respects equal or superior to the "Bahia Navel," but, unlike that variety, it is a good cropper; in California considered to be the best of all oranges. I have seen quite small trees of this variety in Sydney loaded with most beautiful fruit.
- Lemon Eureka**—Very like the "Lisbon," but trees almost thornless.
- Lemon, Heong Leong**—Fruit of large size but coarse, full of juice, but not equal to "Lisbon" in flavour.
- Lemon Lisbon**—A well-known variety, and probably the best of all.
- Lemon, Lisbon Thornless**—Fruit larger than "Lisbon" and a little coarser; tree, a spreading and vigorous grower.
- Lemon, Lisbon Variegata**—Leaves beautifully variegated; fruit small, similar to "Lisbon," but inferior.
- Lemon, Villa Franca**—Claimed to be chiefly a summer-bearing lemon, and on that account very valuable. It is a strong, vigorous grower, with few thorns; fruit oblong, thin skinned and firm, adjudged by the Americans to be the best shipping variety.
- Lime, East Indian**—Large and prolific.
- Lime, Persian or Sweet**—Hardy, and of pleasant flavour.
- Lime, Tahitian**—A strong grower and heavy cropper; fruit nearly the size of a "Lisbon Lemon"; exceedingly thin rind; juicy and nearly seedless; for hot districts considered superior to the lemon; cannot be too highly recommended.
- Lime, West Indian**—Small and excellent, best for lime-juice.
- Citron, Bengal**—Fruit very large, round, and useful for preserving.
- Citron, Knight's**—Fruit large, oblong, thick skinned, sweet, good for candied peel.
- Shaddock, Common**—Very large fruit.

MEDLARS.

Common—Each, 1/6.

Dutch—Each, 2/-

Monstrous—Each, 2/-

Nottingham—Each, 2/-

MULBERRIES.

Black—A well-known variety. Per dozen, 24/-

White—The leaves of this are used for feeding silkworms. Per dozen, 12/-

GRAPE VINES.

Price—6/- per doz.

Black Frontignan

Black Hamburg

Black Muscat

Black Prince

Black St. Peters

Buckland's Sweetwater

Champion Muscat

Chassellas Rose

Crystal

Cornichon Blanc

Doradilla

Duchess of Buccleugh

Golden Champion

Golden Chassellas

Green's Early

Gros Colmar

Lady's Finger

Lady Down's Seedling

Madresfield Court Black Muscat

Malaga Muscatel

Mrs. Prince's Black Muscat

Muscat d'Out

Muscat Gordo Blanco

Muscat Hamburg

Raisin des Dames

Red Frontignan

Red Prince

Royal Ascot

Sultana

Sweetwater

Waltham Cross

Wantage

Zante Currant

GOOSEBERRIES.

Price—4/- to 6/- per doz., 25/- per 100.

Alma (white)

Billy Dean (red)

Bright Venus (white)

Clayton (red)

Crown Bob (red)

Dan's Mistake (red)

Dobson's Seedling

(green)

Dublin (yellow)

Early Sulphur

(yellow)

Gill's Seedling

(green)

Gretna Green (green)

Gunner (yellow)

Heart of Oak (green)

High Sheriff (yellow)

GOOSEBERRIES. (CONTINUED).

Keen's Seedling (red)	Plunderer (green)	Smiling Beauty (white)
Keepsake (white)	Postman (white)	Thumper (green)
Lady Leicester (white)	Queen of Sheba (white)	Trumpeter (yellow)
Leveller (yellow)	Red Ocean (red)	Turnout (yellow)
Lord Crew (green)	Rifleman (red)	Warrington (red)
Marlborough (red)	Roaring Lion (red)	White Lion (white)
Ploughboy (red)	Rockwood (yellow)	Whitesmith (white)
		Yellow Lion (yellow)

NEW THORNLESS GOOSEBERRIES.**Price—2/- each, 18/- per dozen.**

These I imported three years ago from France; being very small I have not fruited same yet, but have now got them in good growth, and offer good strong plants; they are said to be quite equal in size and flavour to the prickly varieties.

Belle de Meaux—Vigorous shrub with trailing branches; fruit medium size, oval-shaped, very dark red nearly black, skin thin; flesh firm, juicy, and sugary.

Edouard Lefort—Very pretty and good fruit, $1\frac{3}{4}$ in. in length and $1\frac{1}{4}$ in. in diameter; skin smooth, glossy, vinous red; flesh sugary, firm; good traveller.

Madame Edouard Lefort—Very distinct variety; prolific, fruit large and very good, skin vinous red; flesh very firm, sugary, and agreeable flavour.

Souvenir de Billard—Vigorous shrub, an excessive bearer, skin dark rose or red; flesh juicy, firm, sugary, sub-acid.

CURRENTS.**Price—4/- to 6/- per dozen.**

Bertyn's No. 9 (red)	La Versailles (red)
Black Grape	Lee's Prolific (black)
Black Naples	North Star (new) 1/- each
Carter's Black Champion	Red Cherry
Chenanceau (red)	White Dutch
Dunnett's Champion (black)	White Imperial
Fay's Prolific (red)	Wilmot's White
Laing's Mammoth (red)	

NUTS AND FILBERTS.

Price—1/6 each.

Cosford	Webb's Prize	Daviana
Kentish Cob	"	Exhibition
Red Filbert	"	Red Skinned
Webb's Prize Cob	"	White Skinned

WALNUTS.

Common—A well-known variety. Per dozen, 12/- to 18/-

Dwarf Prolific—This is a very fine variety, fruiting much earlier than the "Common." Per dozen, 18/- to 24/-

Japanese (*Juglans Sieboldi*)—A hard-shelled nut, good flavour, and heavy bearer; this is a very beautiful ornamental tree. 2/- each, or 18/- per dozen.

Pecan Nut—This is largely grown in America, and comes into bearing in from eight to ten years from seeds; it bears heavy and regular crops. Nuts long, thin shelled; flesh oily, and of fine flavour. Price 2/6 each.

SPANISH CHESTNUTS.

Common—Per dozen, 18/- to 24/-

Marions—Large. Each, 3/6.

RASPBERRIES.

All Summer—Everbearing, vigorous and erect grower; large crimson fruit, excellent and prolific. 3/6 per dozen.

Belle de Fontenay—2/- per dozen; 10/- per 100.

Cornwell's Yellow—2/- per dozen; 10/- per 100.

Cuthbert (Queen of the Market)—This variety is more largely grown for market purposes than any other red raspberry in America. It is a sturdy grower, and does not require tying or staking. Fruit medium size, good flavour. 2/- per dozen; 10/- per 100.

Fastolf—2/- per dozen; 10/- per 100.

Franconia—A first-class red raspberry; fruit very large, of good flavour and a strong grower; about two weeks earlier than "Northumberland Fillbasket." 2/6 per dozen.

Golden Queen—A seedling from "Cuthbert," resembling that variety in hardiness and vigorous growth. A most abundant bearer, producing fruit of the largest size and delicious flavour; colour beautiful yellow. 2/- per dozen; 10/- per 100.

RASPBERRIES (CONTINUED).

Imperial—A strong growing variety after the style of "Cuthbert;" fruit large, red, and fine. 2/6 per dozen.

Northumberland Fillbasket—The best of all raspberries for all purposes, fruit very large, and heavy bearer. 7/6 to 10/- per 100. Special quotation per 1000.

Northumberland Fillbasket, Thornless—This is exactly the same in fruit and foliage as "Northumberland Fillbasket," but the canes are entirely free from thorns, being perfectly smooth. This should prove a great advantage and labour-saving in tying them up, and they must become a favourite variety with raspberry growers. 2/6 per dozen, or 10/- per 100.

Royal Church—Imported from France; strong growing, large size, delicious flavour, very productive; ripens earlier than "Cuthbert." 3/6 per dozen.

Semper Fidelis—2/- per dozen; 10/- per 100.

Superbe d'Angleterre—Very large, red. 3/6 per dozen.

Superlative (Laxton)—This is an English-raised variety, and considered in that country to be one of the very best red raspberries in cultivation. 5/- per dozen.

Surprise d'Automne—Everbearing, large yellow fruit of good flavour. 3/6 per dozen.

Yellow Antwerp—2/- per dozen; 10/- per 100.

BLACK CAP RASPBERRIES.

Price—9/- per dozen.

Davidson's Thornless—This is a thornless variety of free growth, but has not fruited with me yet.

Gregg—The largest and best of all the "Black Caps"; fruit firm, dark purple, with heavy bloom; an abundant bearer.

Mammoth Cluster—This is one of the largest fruits of the "Black Cap," and a free bearer.

BLACKBERRIES, ETC.

Grandell's—This variety blooms all throughout the winter months, but so far I have not found the fruit of much use. 6/- per dozen.

Himalayan—A very strong grower, with very large fruit; heavy bearer; one of the best. 9/- per dozen.

Italian Cut-leaved—This variety has most beautiful foliage in the autumn, and very fair fruit. 9/- per dozen.

Lawton's—This is, perhaps the best of all for market; it grows more like a raspberry, the bearing cane dying each year. With plenty of moisture the fruit is very large, and an enormous cropper. 6/- per dozen, or 20/- per 100.

BLACKBERRIES (CONTINUED).

Lucretia Dewberry—A new trailing blackberry, bearing large luscious berries in the greatest profusion. 6/- per dozen.

Wilson's Junior—Rather smaller fruit than "Lawton's," which it resembles, but ripens much earlier. 6/- per dozen.

Japanese Golden Mayberry (*rubus incisus*)—A strong growing variety of the bramble class, with very pretty, much-divided foliage, large bell-shaped pendulous blossoms, followed by large, sweet, luscious berries of a golden colour. 6/- per dozen.

Japanese Wineberry—The fruit is similar to raspberry in shape; colour bright glossy scarlet; sweet, juicy, and of agreeable flavour; strong grower, and quite an ornamental shrub. This tree is only good in cool, moist districts. 9d. each, or 6/- per dozen.

The Logan Berry—This fruit, which appears to be a cross between a cultivated red raspberry and a variety of Californian wild blackberry, was grown by Judge J. H. Logan, of Santa Cruz, Cal., from seed, in 1894. The fruit is sometimes an inch and a quarter long, the shape of a blackberry, the colour of a dark red raspberry, and a combination of the flavours of both. The stems are strong, free from thorns, but covered with fine spines, have a trailing habit, and the fruit is furnished in great profusion in early December. Has received an award of merit from the Royal Horticultural Society of England. 1/6 each, or 15/- per dozen.

OLIVES.

Price—2/- each, 18/- per dozen.

The following are the commercial Olives for oil-producing purposes:

Black Italian	Large Fruiting
Bouquettier	Lucca
Early Blanquet	Salouen
Frontoiana (<i>Lucca</i>)	Picholine
Grosse Rendounow	Verdale
Late Blanquet	

MISCELLANEOUS FRUITS, ETC.

Berberberry (*Berberis vulgaris*)—1/- each, 9/- per dozen.

Guava (*Psidium cattleianum*)—1/- each, 9/- per dozen.

Loquat (*Eriobotrya Japonica*)—1/- each, 9/- per dozen.

Passion Fruit (*Passiflora edulis*)—1/- each, 9/- per dozen.

Pomegranate (*Punica granatum*) 1/- each, 9/- per dozen.

Sweet Bay (*Laurus Nobilis*)—1/- each, 9/- per dozen.

STRAWBERRIES.

- Bidwell. 2/- doz., or 5/- 100
 British Queen. 2/- doz.
 Captain. 2/- doz., or 5/- 100
 Commander. 2/- doz.
 Comte de Paris. 2/- doz.
 Counts. 2/- doz., or 5/- 100
 Countess. 2/- doz.
 Crimson Cluster. 2/- doz.
 Duke of Athol. 2/- doz.
 Duke de Malakoff. 2/- doz.
 Early White. 2/- doz.
 Eclipse. 2/- doz.
 Edith Christy. 2/6 100.
 Elton. 2/- doz.
 Enchantress. 3/- doz. (new).
 Frogmore (late Pine). 2/- doz.
 Gandy. 3/- doz. (new).
 Garibaldi. 2/- doz.
 Grove End Scarlet. 2/- doz.
 Hautbois. 2/- doz.
 I.X.L. 2/- doz.
 Keen's Seedling. 2/- doz.
 La Chalonnaise. 2/- doz.
 La Grosse Sucree. 2/- doz.
 La Marguerite. 2/6 100, or
 15/- 1000.
 Lee's Prolific. 2/- doz.
 Leonce de Lambertye. 2/- doz.
 Melon. 2/- doz., 5/- 100.
 Mikado. 3/6 doz. (new).
 Myatt's Pine. 5/- 100.
 Myatt's Surprise. 2/- doz.
 Noble (Laxton's). 6/- doz.
 Oscar. 2/- doz.
 Pauline. 3/- doz.
 Pink's Prolific. 2/- doz., 5/- 100.
 Pioneer. 2/- doz.
 President. 2/- doz. 5/- 100.
 Princess Alice Maude. 2/- doz.
 Red Chilian. 2/- doz., 5/- 100.
 Rifleman. 2/- doz.
 Roi Albert de Saxe. 3/6 doz.
 (new).
 Royal Sovereign. 3/- doz.
 15/- 100.
 Sensation. 3/6 doz. (new).
 Sharpless. 3/- doz.
 Shuckless. 3/6 doz. (new).
 Sir Joseph Paxton. 2/- doz.,
 5/- 100.
 Stirling Castle Pine. 2/- doz.
 Trollope's Victoria. 2/6 100.
 White Chilian. 2/6 100,
 15/- 1000.

ASPARAGUS.

Argenteul Purple—5/- per 100. Conover's Colossal—5/- per 100.

RHUBARB.

- Early Albert—A fine early, medium-size rhubarb. 9/- per dozen.
 Hogan's Shillelah—Very hardy and prolific, large, and of good quality.
 9/- per dozen.
 Johnston's St. Martin's—A fine large variety of good flavour. 9/- per
 dozen.

RHUBARB (CONTINUED).

Myatt's Linnaeus—Very early and prolific, flavour all that can be desired; a valuable variety for general use. 9/- per dozen.

Stott's Monarch—This is the largest rhubarb grown, the leaves and stems are of enormous size. 18/- per dozen.

Topp's Winter—This is a most valuable variety, as it furnishes a large quantity of stems, very fine flavour and colour all through the winter months, when fruit is scarce. 9/- per dozen.

Topp's Winter Improved—Similar to the above, but a more erect grower. 9/- per dozen.

ARTICHOKES.

Chinese—6d. and 1/- per packet. **Sutton's White (New)**—4d. per lb.

HERBS.

Price—3/- per dozen.

Chives, Mint, Pennyroyal, Sage, and Thyme.

ORNAMENTAL TREES

For Shade and Street Planting.

Acer Colchicum rubrum—2/6 each.

„ „ **viridis**—2/6 each.

„ **Platanoides** (Sycamore)—12/- per dozen.

„ „ **purpurea Reitenbachi**—2/6 each.

„ **Pseudo-platanus purpurea**—18/- per dozen.

„ **Sacharinum** (Sugar Maple)—2/- each.

„ **Virginicum heterophylla**—2/6 each.

„ „ **rubrum**—2/6 each.

„ **Vieri laciniata**—2/6 each.

Ash, English (*Fraxinus excelsior*)—18/- per dozen.

Beech, Common (*Fagus sylvatica*)—18/- per dozen.

„ **Purple** (*Fagus purpurea*)—24/- per dozen.

Birch (*Betula alba*)—18/- per dozen.

Carya Sulcata (Hickory)—18/- per dozen.

Elms, Canadian—£7/10/- per 100.

„ **Chichester**—£7/10/- per 100.

„ **Cork**—£5 to £7/10/- per 100.

ORNAMENTAL TREES, FOR SHADE AND STREET PLANTING (CONTINUED).

- Elms, *Crispum*—(Crested Elm)—2/- each.
 „ *English*—£7/10/- per 100.
 „ *Huntingdon*—£7/10/- per 100.
 „ *Montana Major*—£7/10/- per 100.
 „ *Monumentalis*—2/- each.
 „ *Purple*—£7/10/- per 100.
 „ *Umbraculifera* (New)—3/6 each.
 „ *Viminalis Variegata*—2/- each.
 Horse Chestnut—18/- to 24/- per dozen.
 Laburnum (*Cytisus Adami*), seedling—12/- per dozen.
 „ (*Cytisus Laburnum*)—12/- per dozen.
 Liriodendron *Tulipiferum* (Tulip Tree)—18/- per dozen.
 Mountain Ash (*Sorbus aucuparia*)—18/- per dozen.
 Oaks, English—*Quercus robur*—£5 to £7/10/- per 100.
 „ *Hodgensii* (Evergreen)—2/6 each.
 „ *Scarlet* (*Quercus coccinea*)—18/ per dozen.
 „ „ (*Quercus palustris*)—18/ per dozen.
 Pinus *Insignis*—£5 per 100.
 Planes, Oriental—£5 to £7/10/- per 100.
 Poplar, Ontario—12/- to 18/- per dozen.
 „ *Silver*—12/- to 18/- per dozen.
 Tilia *Europea* (Lime on Linden)—18/- per dozen.
 „ *Platophylla*—2/6 each.
 „ *Spectabilis*—2/6 each.

PEACHES (Double Flowering).

Price—18/- per dozen.

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| Double White. | Double Splendens. |
| „ Crimson. | „ Versicolour. |
| „ Pink. | |

CHERRIES (Double Flowering).

Price—1/6 each.

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| Double French White. | Double Chinese Pink. |
| Double Japan (in 10 varieties). | |

HAWTHORN (Double & Single Flowering).

Price—1/6 each.

Double Crimson.

„ Pink.

Double White.

Single Scarlet.

Miscellaneous Flowering

SHRUBS, BULBS, ETC.

Azaleas—In 30 varieties. 12/- per dozen.

Camellia Bonomiana—White.

„ **C. M. Hovey**—Deep crimson.

„ **de la Reine**—White striped rose.

„ **Harriette Beecher**—Bright rose.

„ **Rafia**—Dark red.

} 3/6 to 5/- each
(large plants).

Dielytra Spectabilis (Bleeding Heart)—Rose and white. 1/- each.

Dracæna Stricta—Palm-like tree, very graceful. 1/6 to 2/6 each.

English Laurels—12/- per dozen.

Lily of the Valley (*Convallaria Japonica*)—White. 1/- each.

Lilium Auratum—The golden-banded Lily of Japan. Colonial-grown bulbs. 2/- each, or 18/- per dozen.

„ **Candidum**—Early-flowering white lily. 6d. each.

„ **Speciosum Album**—White Japan lily. 1/- each.

„ „ **Rubrum**—Red and white Japan lily. 1/- each.

Magnolia Conspicua—Large tulip-shaped flower, purple and white, sweetly scented. 2/- each.

Prunus Sinensis fl. pl. Rosea—Double pink plum. 1/- each.

Spirea Japonica—A pretty herbaceous plant, white feathery-looking flowers. 1/- each.

Valotta Purpurea—Large flowers, orange-scarlet, one of the most beautiful hardy bulbs. 1/- each.



A Few Practical Remedies for Insect Pests, etc.

PEACH APHIS.—This is perhaps the most annoying insect we have to contend with. I have the last two seasons used Nikoteen, as supplied by the Scabcura Dip Company, Chicago, and find it most effective, it will kill every aphis at one spraying; but as this insect keeps coming out of the soil, it is necessary to spray two or three times. Use one pint bottle to 60 gallons of water, with a little common softsoap.

WOOLLY APHIS, or Apple Blight.—This can only be got rid of by brushing the affected parts with kerosene emulsion diluted with two parts of water; or any kind of vegetable oil is also effective. Spraying is of no use for this insect.

PEAR SLUG.—This is very easily got rid of by spraying with a mixture of 1 ounce of hellebore powder to 2 gallons of water. Mix the powder in a small quantity of water first into a paste, it will then readily mix with a quantity of water. This will also kill caterpillars on vines. The hellebore will remain good on the trees for weeks if not washed off by rain.

CODLIN MOTH.—This is easily got rid of by picking up the fallen fruit every morning and destroying same, as the grub is nearly always in the fruit when it falls. Pigs, cows, fowls, etc., will readily eat such fruit.

SCALE ON ORANGES.—Use kerosene emulsion, 1 gallon to 9 gallons of water; two or three sprayings will generally kill them all. Do not use this strength whilst the growth is very young, as it may injure the very tender leaves.

STRAWBERRIES.—In some districts they have been affected with mildew, thus spoiling the fruit and foliage, and stopping the plants from growing. Use a weak solution of Bordeaux mixture in the winter, and in Summer when in blossom or fruit. Sulphur put on with a pair of sulphur bellows early in the morning whilst the dew is on them, or immediately after a light shower of rain, repeated two or three times, is effectual. Another serious enemy to the strawberry plant is the chafer grub. This grub feeds on the roots in the winter time, often clearing every fibre off the plant. It also attacks almost any roots, in many places totally destroying the grass. It seems to be indigenous to Europe, Australia, and many other countries. In cold climates it feeds only in the summer, but here all the year round, but more so in the winter. Its natural food here seems to be the bayonet and swordgrass roots. Young ducks are the best remedy for them, as they will pick them up in the beetle state in the evening and all throughout moonlight nights.

CURL IN PEACHES.—This is caused by our changeable climate. The peach trees start to grow very early, and generally in fine warm weather, but after a time we get cold wet weather, which seems to check the sap and stop growth, causing immediately a fungoid to grow on the leaves and young branches. I don't think there is previously any germ of this fungus on the trees. If the spring keeps on warm this disease never appears, and as soon as the hot weather comes it disappears in a few days, and the leaves affected fall off. Spraying with a weak solution of Bordeaux mixture may prevent it. The young trees in nursery rows are hardly ever affected with the curl, probably on account of growing much stronger than older trees, thus resisting the cold wet weather.

One of our very best remedies against beetles, wood-lice, grass-hoppers, and grubs of all kinds, are young ducks and chickens—no orchard should be without these. Poultry farming could easily be made profitable in conjunction with fruit growing during the summer months, as they will cost very little. They find a lot of food in an orchard, such as insects, young weeds, etc., of which they are very fond. When full grown they should be marketed, as they are then less useful, and not so fond of hunting insects.

NIKOTEEN.

I can supply this in large bottles, 6/-, small bottles, 2/6, or in cases of 10 large bottles, at £3. For Aphis use 60 or 80 gallons of water to one large bottle; for Scale, 40 gallons. By using a small quantity of softsoap it will make the water softer and easier to spray. I strongly recommend the Nikoteen for both Aphis and Scale of all kinds, as it is perfectly harmless to plant life.

TABLE

Showing the Number of Plants required for an Acre of Land.

Distance Apart.	Number of Plants.	Distance Apart.	Number of Plants.	Distance Apart.	Number of Plants.
Feet.		Feet.		Feet.	
30	48	16	169	8	680
28	55	15	193	7	889
26	64	14	222	6	1201
24	75	13	257	5	1742
22	90	12	302	4	2722
20	100	11	360	3	4840
19	120	10	435	2	10,890
18	134	9	537	1	43,560
17	150				

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A NURSERY IN THE HILLS.

AT Emerald, near Gembrook, and near the centre of the Dandenong Ranges, at an altitude of about 800 ft. above sea-level, is one of the best-kept nurseries, and probably the largest in the Australian colonies, the property of Mr. C. A. Nobelius. The entire estate consists of 150 acres, and upwards of 60 acres of this are devoted to nursery stock.

It is not a general nursery in the common acceptance of the term. With the exception of such fruit-bearing plants as guavas, loquats, and passion-vines, which are best grown in pots, there are no pot-grown plants—everything is grown in the open ground. Hundreds of thousands of various kinds of fruit trees are grown, besides ornamental trees, suitable for street and park planting. Camellias, azaleas, and a few other shrubs, and some bulbs, for which both soil and climate are specially adapted, are also cultivated.

The long drive of 14 miles between Narre Warren, the nearest railway station, and the nursery, a very hilly, and, in places, a very bad road, is a drawback to visitors, but very shortly the narrow-gauge railway from Fern-tree Gully to Gembrook will be opened, and, as there will be a station about a mile only from the nursery, it is likely there will in the future be numerous visitors to see the fine lot of nursery stuff and of bearing fruit trees which the enterprising proprietor will only be too pleased to have inspected.

The deep chocolate soil is particularly suitable for nursery purposes. In it all kinds of fruit trees root well, and the

advantage of well-rooted stuff is known to all experienced planters. At the Gembrook nursery are to be found 50 kinds of strawberries. These are cultivated for their runners, and not solely for their fruit. The end of February is not the best time to inspect strawberry beds, but we found a few kinds in bearing. "The Mikado" is a new American variety, a free grower and bearer, with handsome scarlet fruit. This has not yet been sent out. "Royal Sovereign" is of the largest size, a glossy scarlet, of first-class flavour, hardy and prolific. "Victor Douay" is from France, and promises to be first-class for market.

About a score varieties of raspberries are grown, but Mr. Nobelius pins his faith to the "Northumberland Fillbasket," and a variety of this which is thornless, and also a little earlier. Of these two kinds he has $4\frac{1}{2}$ acres trellised on two wires, with uprights 20 ft. apart. The rows are 7 ft. apart, and the plants are put in 1 ft. apart. The canes are neither particularly strong nor tall, but medium-sized canes are said to yield better than very rank ones. There is no irrigation carried on in any part of this nursery, but the raspberries are manured yearly with superphosphate and muriate of potash, two tons of the former and half a ton of the latter being used to the $4\frac{1}{2}$ acres.

The two best gooseberries for the district are the "Crown Bob" and "Roaring Lion." A stock is being raised by grafting of the new French spineless kind, but the value of this novelty cannot yet be reported upon.

Quite a collection of Japanese, American, and other blackberries are found here. The "Lucretia Dewberry" promises well; the plant trails on the ground,

it bears luscious berries of a longish shape. From about 20 yards of plants two bucketsful of fruit were gathered. It is said to do well in Sydney and other hot places. The "Black Cap" raspberries have not been a success. The "Wineberry" is liked up here, but is of little value about Melbourne, except as an ornamental shrub. "Wilson's Junior" is not as good as Lawton's, which it resembles. The Japanese "Golden Mayberry" (*Rubus incisus*) promises well. It is a strong grower, with pretty foliage, large pendulous blossoms, with fruit like a yellow raspberry. The "Juneberry" has pretty white flowers, fruit like a currant, first of a red colour, changing to bluish-black. The "Himalayan" blackberry has magnificent large foliage, and is specially suitable for covering fences or old buildings.

For some years past Victorian nurserymen have been sending to Japan for their persimmon plants. They need do this no longer. Here are found 3,000 locally-grafted plants on stocks raised from imported seeds from America and Europe, the kinds of stocks being "Diospyros Kaki" and "D. Virginicus." There are 25 named varieties of these plants, and the young stuff is a picture to look at, chiefly single stems, but a few branched with magnificent foliage on them. They produce in this soil splendid fibrous roots, and it is well known that imported trees are invariably badly rooted. An order for 300 of these has just been received from Natal.

Of the 14 kinds of quinces grown here, the apple-shaped is considered the best of the old varieties; the "Portugal" is very large, but a shy bearer. "Ree's Mammoth" will probably turn out well. The "Hong Kong" is an extraordinary quince, now in fruit. It has red flowers, and when the fruit is about half grown it has a reddish bloom on it. The foliage dies away of an orange-red colour.

A magnificent new nectarine is named "Goldmine." It was raised in Auckland, is of enormous size, and of delicious flavour. A peach which will beat

"Briggs's Red May" must be a valuable variety, but "High's Early Canada" ripens the same time, and is a better bearer. A beautiful new peach, which in spring has the brilliant crimson colour of "Iresene Lindeni," is fading off now to a bronze. This will be valuable for shrubbery planting.

The stock of apple trees is immense. Out of the 168 varieties kept in stock only a few dozen kinds are grown in in quantity. Of "Jonathan," "Five-crown Pippin," "Rome Beauty" and "Cleopatra" about 10,000 of each kind are grown; then come such varieties as "Rymer," "Reinette du Canada," "Munroe's Favourite" and "Æsopus Spitzenberg." This latter kind where it succeeds is reckoned even better than "Jonathan." "Stone Pippin" is a general favourite, but is apt to be blown off by the wind, and "Munroe's Favourite" is very similar and to be preferred. "Brownlee's Russet" is a grand cropper in the ranges, and a valuable variety. It should be mentioned that, although large numbers of some kinds are propagated, the trees are not all for local use. The "Cleopatra," for instance, is almost worthless at Emerald and some other places, but in South Australia, also at Harcourt, it is one of the best. Those kinds of trees which are in demand must be grown, as trees are sent from here to all the Australian colonies, South Africa, etc. This season 130,000 Spy stocks are being budded, but the 10 budders which we saw at work will soon complete their work.

Some of the Japanese plums are highly recommended for hot districts. They are good croppers, and tremendous bearers; they have nearly all very small stones, and the fruit will keep some time without decaying. "Wickson" is perhaps the best of the lot, but "Kelsey" and "Burbank" are very fine. The "blood" plum (Satsuma) makes a fine preserve.

One of the finest sights in the nursery is a plantation of 25,000 trees of peaches, nectarines, and almonds, all in magnifi-

cent condition, the chief peaches grown being Brigg's "Red May," "Elberta," and "Hale's Early." "Alsace" and "Moor Park" are the principal apricots grown. The former is hardier in constitution, but very similar to the other in

appearance. The Chinese or "Sand" pear is proved to be the best stock in this district for working upon; it is not attacked with the fungus disease. A piece of these contains 40,000 stocks for grafting on.

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NOTES AT GEMBROOK.

A NOTICE of the Gembrook nurseries would not be complete without some reference being made to the large collection of forest trees cultivated there. Upwards of a dozen distinct kinds of elms are propagated, but, as with fruit trees, only two or three are grown in quantity, and these chiefly for street and avenue planting. There are beautiful gold and silver variegated varieties the crisp-leaved and the monumental elms, which are eminently suitable for planting in shrubberies, but of no value for street or avenue work. The umbrella elm (*Ulmus umbraculifera*) is quite a new kind just imported from France, and it bids fair to be a valuable addition to our ornamental trees.

In planting the streets of Melbourne, Bendigo, Ballarat, etc., various kinds of elms have been used, but the old English elm (*U. campestris*) is generally esteemed the best. The true Chichester (not the Huntingdon, which is sometimes sold for it) ranks perhaps next. For a poor soil and an exposed position the cork-barked (*U. suberosa*) elm is to be recommended, but it is late in leafing and early in shedding its foliage.

In growing his street trees Mr. Nobellius adopts the wise system of not cutting away the lateral shoots, and so exposing the stem to the influence of the sun, which, while the tree is young and the bark tender, is very apt to get scorched. He simply spurs in the shoots which

grow from the main stem, and so protects the latter; it tends to increase its size, and form a symmetrical tapering trunk.

The Oriental plane (*Platanus orientalis*) is in great demand. In one piece there are 5000 plants, averaging about four feet in height, but these by the time the lifting season comes round will have added perhaps a couple of feet to their stature.

In places where it thrives the American tulip tree (*Liriodendron tulipifera*) is a magnificent subject for planting where shade and ornament combined are wanted, but it wants a fairly good soil and immunity from drought and hot winds.

In addition to the ordinary trees found in nurseries, there are several only suitable for cool mountainous districts cultivated at Gembrook. The birch, both the silver and purple leaved; the beech, both the common and copper coloured; English limes (*Tilias*); various kinds of acers, rhus, etc.

As tree seeds cannot always be relied upon as being fresh, it is found better to import from Europe seedling plants in a small state; these generally travel well, and after being planted out for two or three years make good strong stuff, ready for permanent planting. Even cherry stocks are imported. The mazzard stock is liked, inasmuch as it does not produce suckers, the great objection to the common Kentish; the Mahaleb is recommended as an excellent cherry stock for cool districts.

DOES FRUIT-GROWING PAY?

THE above is a question I am often asked by intending planters. I believe that there is no business in Australia that would pay better than fruit-growing if proper varieties were planted, such as can be used in some shape or form for export—either in its natural state, in pulp, dried, or otherwise preserved. There is a good demand for dried fruit, especially prunes, and we have quite an unlimited market for our apples in Europe, whither they can now be shipped in good order.

At present most of our orchards are too small, as there are very few that can ship even 1000 cases at a time. Why do not some of our capitalists try an orchard of, say, 1000 acres? The capital required for buying the land, planting, and keeping in order until in profit would not be over £20,000, as there should be plenty of good orchard land to be had at £5 per acre that would not require much clearing. A nett profit of 1/- per tree would give £5000, or 25 per cent. on the capital, and 1/- per tree would be a very small profit if in full bearing. I have taken as much as 30/- gross off a tree planted about eight years ago. It would not be anything out of the way for a tree to give, in fair seasons, a nett return of 4/-, which would just be 100 per cent. on the capital.

Of course an orchard must be well looked after, and kept thoroughly clean and free from pests, which is easily done if started in the beginning; the trees must be properly pruned, and a man of thorough knowledge to superintend the whole. The larger the area planted the less will be the cost per tree in working expenses. No crops should be grown between the rows of trees unless manured and kept clean, and then only for two or three years. Peas, potatoes or other root crops, and strawberries may be grown if soil and climate are suitable, but on no account should hay crops or grain be grown. At least a distance of six or seven feet should be free from any crop on each side of the rows of trees, and well cultivated during the summer months.

Small orchards from 5 to 20 acres would not pay a capitalist, but would make a good living for a man and his family with moderate means, and a most pleasant life, as in fruit-growing, if he is successful, he can always find a time in the year to enjoy his money. He will have a very busy time during the fruit picking, pruning and cleansing, but can always find, if his work is well forward, that he can spare a month or so in the year for travelling, or what other enjoyment he likes best.



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FRUIT TREES



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STRAWBERRIES

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Etc.



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